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Classes cancelled for protest rally

by Gil McGowan

All classes will be cancelled for two hours on Friday March 1st so that students can take part in a rally and march to protest government under-funding.

The decision to cancel classes was made yesterday by the General Faculties Council (GFC) after Students' Union president Suresh Mustapha introduced a motion on the issue.

According to Mustapha, the provincial government's continued under funding of advanced education has made it impossible to maintain the quality and accessibility of education at the U of A. More specifically, he believes that the university administration would not have been forced to cut the football team or consider the cancellation of entire departments if it had received adequate funding from the government.

Mustapha decided that a mass protest is necessary after hearing 200 students complain about under funding at a discussion meeting

sponsored by the Graduate Students' Association (GSA) and the SU last Thursday. He also feels that it might be the only way to get the government's attention.

"We've met with the minister and we've been rational... but the government hasn't taken us seriously because we haven't had the force of numbers behind us," he said.

Mustapha was pleased that the GFC agreed to pass his motion and predicts that it will help ensure that the protest march is successful.

"If just a handful of students show up the impact will be minimized... but, with no classes more students will be able to come and the government won't be able to say that people don't support our cause."

In addition to the protest march on the Legislature — which will take place between 1-3 p.m. on the afternoon of Friday March 1st — the SU and the GSA plan to organize an on-campus rally for February 14. This is the day when the U of

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Jeff Cowley

A handful of students who support the American-led war in the Persian Gulf waved flags and heckled the peace activists gathered in front of Canada Place Saturday. Despite their best efforts, their cries of "Support the Troops" were drowned out by "Peace Now!"

Students join international anti-war protest

by Lisa Hall

On a day when peace protests were held around the world, about 1000 Edmontonians met downtown Saturday to voice their view against the Canadian government's decision to enter the Persian Gulf war.

The rally began on Jasper Avenue at Canada Place, and then protesters, chanting "Peace, now!" and waving signs stating "No blood for Oil" and "Bring home our troops," marched down to Churchill Square.

A dozen speakers, representing a variety of groups, gave their reasons to oppose the war.

Anna Zalik, a student representative of the University's Anti-war Coalition, criticized the decision to go to war after only giving sanctions "a mere four months to work."

There will be no winners in the war, she said. "The horrific environmental consequences will mean that our common future will become darker."

She also stated that objectives

concerning Middle East countries could never be established through war. "The anger of the Arab world who sees this as the action of western enemies on behalf of Israel is not going to lead to the recognition of Israel on behalf of her Arab neighbours, nor is Israel more likely to participate in negotiations with the Palestinians once deaths have deepened the bitterness on both sides,

"The only peaceful solution to the region's problems will be found around the negotiating table," said Zalik.

Many speakers accused the Canadian government of entering a war which only served American interests.

"Canada should not be part of the United States-led war machine," said New Democrat MP Svend Robinson.

Cathy Barker, Chair of the Committee to Oppose the War, agreed: "If Kuwait exported bananas in-

stead of oil, we would not be at war today."

"This is not a war of respect for international law," continued Robinson, pointing to the U.S. record of invading smaller countries such as Grenada and Panama.

Robinson stated the NDs would remain officially opposed to the war, "knowing the cost in human terms, knowing that half of the people in Iraq are under 15 years of age, and that 90 per cent of the deaths in this war will be civilian." He also pointed to the ecological consequences. "We've now seen the largest oil spill the globe has ever seen."

Throughout the protest, speakers continually called for the withdrawal of Canadian troops from the gulf.

Brian Mason, City alderman, announced that he would be putting a motion to City Council, asking for Edmonton to be officially opposed to Canadian involvement in the

Gulf. This motion will be discussed in Council on Tuesday at 5 p.m.

Protesting against the conflict doesn't mean groups doesn't support Canadian troops, concluded

Zalik. "I have nothing but good will and support for the troops in the gulf," she said, "But I don't support the government policy of going to war."

Small group supports Desert Storm

by Lisa Hall

While the "anti-war voice" was booming downtown on Saturday, a smaller cry in favour of the Persian Gulf conflict could be heard close by.

Across the street from the Canada Place Peace Rally, about 40 protesters who support the coalition action in the Gulf, waved signs encouraging motorists to "Honk horn for Desert Storm" and "Honk to support our troops." Other placards said "Free Kuwait."

The groups also waved Canadian and American flags and frequently sang "O Canada."

Many of the protesters were University of Alberta students, who had seen posters around campus advertising the rally.

"I heard about the rally in classes and saw posters, and decided to come out and show support for our troops," said Bernie Hagermann, an Agriculture and Forestry student. "I think their (the anti-war protesters) actions send a bad message to the troops."

Education student Owen Lewis also rallied to support the war movement. He felt it was important that the conflict began when it did, as sanctions weren't working.

"Saddam Hussein doesn't care about his people. He wouldn't care

about the suffering in his country sanctions would cause," he said, adding that a delay in the attack would only have allowed the Iraqi president time to build up his weaponry.

Lewis denounced the anti-war theory that the Persian Gulf conflict was U.S. led. "Canada is following a United Nations lead - it's the countries of the world uniting. We're here to show support for the U.N. resolutions and for enforcing those resolutions."

The group felt it was important to let the government know some Canadians are in favour of its decision to go to war.

"The government might listen if all they hear is the opposing message," said Hagermann. "I guess in a way we're protesting against them (the anti-war protesters.) But we want our message heard."

Although an occasional shouting match across Jasper Avenue occurred, police reported no problems.

Soon after the anti-war protesters marched down to Churchill Square, the Gulf action supporters followed. Occupying the back half of the square, the group continued waving signs and flags and singing the national anthem for the duration of the anti-war rally.

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Newfoundland premier advocates reform

by Bob Ayers

Newfoundland Premier, Clyde Wells proposed a constitutional convention as a solution to Canada's constitutional dilemma at a noon-hour address last Thursday.

Speaking to the Constitutional and International Law Section of the Northern Alberta Branch of the Canadian Bar Association and to the Centre for Constitutional Studies at the U of A Law School, Wells said that the solution would be similar to the Philadelphia convention, which drafted the United States' constitution in 1787.

"A constitutional convention... should be convened when there are major constitutional issues outstanding and there is no clear consensus as to how these issues should be addressed so as to attract the support of the majority of the people reasonably representative of the various parts of the country," he stated.

Such a convention would provide

two important elements to constitutional discussions: a means of exchanging ideas, and the legitimacy of acceptance by all parties.

"Neither the Spicer Commission nor the provincial commissions can provide those two essential elements," said the Premier, adding that the various provincial commissions studying the constitution will be too focused on their own regional concerns to provide an effective response to Quebec.

The compromise which would come out of the convention would then be voted upon by Parliament and the provincial legislatures.

The proposal for a constitutional convention is part of a larger proposal to revamp the constitutional amending formula.

Wells' new amending formula would also include the present "seven-fifty" formula, a removal of both the requirement for unanimity, the three-year time limit, and a double majority in the Senate (Que-

bec Senators plus those from the rest of the provinces) on amendments affecting culture, language, and the civil law system.

"A referendum could be resorted to, where substantial amendment was involved and there was great doubt or uncertainty as to the level of approval," added Wells.

Responding to a question from the floor about aboriginal peoples which challenged Wells' "two nations" view of federalism, the Premier recognized the contributions of aboriginal peoples and various ethnic groups, but stated that Canada was founded as a "basis of understanding" between the English and the French. Therefore, this understanding must be reflected in Canada's national institutions.

Wells also fielded questions on Senate reform, which he said was "an essential part of the Parliamentary process," and his aspirations to national office.

Religion central to Gulf crisis say students

by Doug Johnson

For many Muslims, war in the Middle East is much more than a matter of oil rights and Western efforts to liberate Kuwait.

According to Mahmood Mirza, a member of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Students' Association, it is also a matter of religion.

Although the association has not experienced any sort of intolerance by Edmontonians as a result of the war, it does, however, see the need to explain to non-Muslims where those of Islamic faith stand on the Persian Gulf issue.

"There is a feeling (among Canadians), probably because of our religion, that we are obliged to show our patriotism for Canada. That is in no question. It's there. Our religion tells us our first loyalties are towards our country, which is Canada," says Mahmood Mirza.

However, this does not mean that the association condones the actions of the United Nations coalition forces, nor of Canada's role in the coalition, says Mahmood.

"Our view is that Saddam Hussein should never have invaded Kuwait," he added.

"But now that he has done so, everything changes...if one Muslim country invades another Muslim nation, then all the other Muslim nations should together, and push the aggressor out of that country."

"But because of the Western involvement, it has created more trouble than anything. If they are going to kill this Saddam, they will probably create a hundred more like him."

Mohammed Mirza, president of the AMSA, agrees. He feels that sanctions should have been given more time to work. He also believes that Canada should have maintained its role as peacekeeper, and should not have followed in the United States' march to war.

"Canada should be there to push for sanctions as a UN force."

But for war purposes, Canada should not be there.

Mohammed feels the United Nations could have better served the Arab nations by providing economic and military aid, in order that the countries opposed to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait could solve the problem for themselves.

Having the West enter the conflict in the role of armed problem solver, he says, insults Muslims who have

been taught that any quarrel between Muslims nations must be left for Muslims to solve.

Mahmood Mirza feels the UN has bowed to American pressure, and is allowing the United States to dictate UN policy. This, he fears, will ruin any chance the United States might have in trying to mediate in any future Middle East disputes.

"Now the Middle East sees the UN as a part of the United States army, wearing blue caps, basically. I don't think anyone's going to take them seriously anymore."

As for Hussein's efforts to turn the Gulf conflict into a Jihad, or holy war, for Mahmood is confident that Muslims, for the time being at least, won't be fooled.

"He doesn't have anything to stand on, to call for a Jihad. Jihad is basically only called for when, religiously, you are in danger of losing your faith, or when someone comes in and imposes their faith on you."

However, Mohammed fears that if the war drags on too long, some Islamic nations may be tempted. "It's a sad situation, because the leaders that have been showing up

lately, like Hussein, Khomeini and Kaddafi, are in no way close to the teaching of Islam."

The tragedy, he says, is that the people who follow these leaders think they are truly being offered a means of economic advancement.

He added that, in cases, these leaders manipulate the religion to the point where the people cannot distinguish the religion from the leader.

The AMSA is sponsoring a forum on Tuesday (5 pm, CAB 273) in order to help non-Muslim students better understand the religion behind the politics.

Mahmood feels that the West must learn to understand the Islamic view on such matters as the Persian Gulf war. This insight could have prevented the coalition forces from fighting a war they have no part in, he said.

"For lots of people, the history (of the Middle East) just started on August 2nd. If the West had the patience to let the Islamic nations solve their own problems, then that would have been a better solution."

"They're looking for a quick fix...but in the long run you're going to see a lot of damage done. If there was something like a quick fix, it would have happened a long time ago."

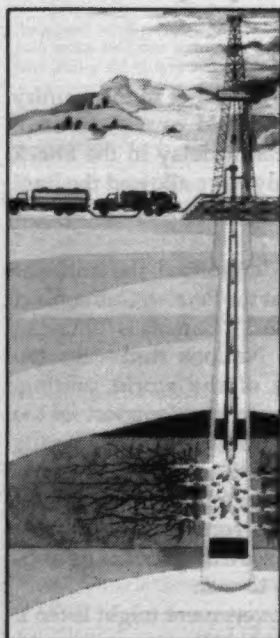


Darrin Nielsen

Despite the cold wind, about one thousand Edmontonians gathered at Churchill Square Saturday to listen to speeches denouncing Canadian involvement in the Gulf.

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A administration has promised to release its budget for 1991-92 and announce which departments and programs will be cut.

Not all the members who attended yesterday's GFC meeting supported the motion to cancel classes for a protest rally.

Vice President academic Peter Meekison, for example, argued that the move might disrupt the schedules of many students and faculty members.

In a similar way, Board of Governors (BoG) member John Bertie argued that a mass protest would be counter-productive because it would antagonize the government.

Despite these objections, the motion to cancel classes for a protest march was passed 41 to 22.

Croatian students show support for homeland

by Lee Craig

Only hours after learning that civil war had been averted in their homeland which is in Yugoslavia, the Croatian Students' Association, along with other Edmonton Croatian-Canadian groups, marched in downtown Edmonton last Saturday.

About 600 Croatian-Canadians demonstrated at Canada Place because they felt it was necessary to voice their concerns over the situation in Yugoslavia. Demonstrations occurred all over Canada, the United States and Europe.

Civil war was avoided through a meeting on Saturday morning, when the Yugoslavian Defense Minister Gen. Veljko Kadijevic, agreed to call off the state of emergency at military bases in Croatia, as well as promising to not interfere in domestic political affairs.

This action was in return for the Croatian government's agreement to stop the calling up of reserve forces in Croatia. However, the Croatian government neither agreed to give the central Communist government its weapons nor to disband its reserve units, despite the federal government's declara-

tion that the units were illegal.

Previous to this agreement, Yugoslavia, a multinational country of six autonomous republics, was teetering on the brink of a civil war because of a dispute among Slovenia and Croatia, who desire the creation of a confederation, and Serbia, the strongest advocate of strengthening the federation already existing in Yugoslavia. Although the Yugoslavian government opposes this idea, both Slovenia and Croatia have threatened to secede if confederation does not occur.

George Kovacic, a member of the Croatian Students' Association, believes it is very important for Croatians in Edmonton to draw attention to the events in Yugoslavia because of the lower media coverage they are receiving in comparison to the Persian Gulf crisis.

"We need to build awareness here as not many know exactly what is happening in Croatia and the rest of Yugoslavia. It is similar to the lower profile Lithuania has in wake of the Persian Gulf (crisis)," said Kovacic.

He added that his group is concerned with seeing that democracy



Members of Edmonton's Croatian community rallied in front of Canada Place Saturday to draw attention to the repression that exists in their homeland.

continues to expand in Croatia so their culture, history and language can still be promoted. Croatia broke

away from the Communist central government last April, by having their first free elections since WWII.

"We hope to let the world know what is happening...to make sure that democracy doesn't slip away."

Environmental Report

Water important factor in Middle East politics

by Bruce Thorson

The ecological catastrophe of the Persian Gulf oil spill and the threat it poses to both the ecosystem and the human populations of the region vividly underscores the strategic value of water in this arid region. Understanding how we arrived at the present point of conflict demands that we examine many factors. Water, both for consumption and transportation, is of no small significance as factor in the politics of the dry Middle East.

The most obvious cases in point would be the Suez Crisis of 1956 and the current desire of Iraq to secure access to the Persian Gulf via the coastlines of Kuwait. To varying degrees there are also more subtle forces at work in concern for water resources throughout the area.

Tension has long run high over the solution to the Israeli-Palestin-

ian issue. Israel no less than any other nation in the region is subject to foreign policy decisions taken in light of water resources. Currently Israel extracts one-third of its entire water supply from the West Bank and commands the Jordan River from the Golan Heights. Any movement on these issues is thus constrained by demand for water. The situation is experiencing greater stress due to the increased demands of accommodating the recent influx of Russian immigrants.

According to the latest estimates Jordan, Israel and the West Bank will be consuming 100 percent of their available fresh water supplies by 1995. While these nations will have reached the limits of their water supply by that time, the demands of growing populations and continued industrialization will continue.

The precarious balance of people

to water and the tension this creates is found again and again in the Middle East. Iran and Iraq have shared the 120 mile border of the Shatt-al-Arab river since both countries were carved out of the Ottoman Empire. This boundary has long been a source of conflict and added, at least in part, to the Iraqi motivation to invade Iran in 1980. Similarly, Egypt and Sudan have had a long tense history of relations over the Nile. Nine countries share this river. Each of these countries places increasing demands upon the river system and upon the resources upon which their neighbours must depend.

These are just a few of the complex issues at play in the region and amidst the current conflict. Any long term solution for the region will rest upon the recognition of these complexities. In view of the subtle nature of history and the fragility of ecosystems the military option seems a blunt instrument indeed.



Andrew Lummis

Protest planned

Science representative Bill Ross was one of about 200 students who voiced their dissatisfaction with the government at a meeting organized by the GSA and the SU Thursday. A mass protest is planned for March 1st.

Rec Admin fights back

by Karen Unland

Students in Recreation and Leisure Studies are taking immediate action to avoid budget cuts that threaten to eliminate their department or would result in a combination with Physical Education.

Although details on the cuts will not be known until mid-February, the 220 students have already been alerted that their program is in danger.

The interdisciplinary program, which includes studies ranging from tourism to career develop-

ment, is unique in Western Canada. According to Todd Merenick, vp academic Recreation Student Services (RSS), the only comparable program in Canada is at the University of Waterloo.

Fourth-year student Veronica Vinge warns that absorption into Physical Education would harm the integrity and interdisciplinary nature of the program.

"It's not just a playground."

To combat possible cuts, RSS has organized a student task force to lobby the government and univer-

sity administration. In addition to a letter writing campaign, the task force is circulating a petition in opposition to vertical cuts. The petition warns that "the potential budget cuts threaten the achievement of academic excellence at the University of Alberta."

To date they have gathered 400 signatures.

Vinge and Merenick also expressed support for the rally proposed at a recent protest meeting

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Protest now!

by G. Paul Skelthorne

A concerned student, speaking at last week's meeting to decide what action to take on government cutbacks to the University, commented that he felt no action should be taken which would alienate the public. The example he gave was blocking traffic on the High Level bridge, an action he felt could be potentially dangerous to those involved and which would only anger the public rather than soliciting their sympathy.

Why not have a protest like this?

The result of all the talking which went on last Thursday will likely be a rally, attended by no more than 250 people, followed by a march to the legislature. The net effect, as usual, will be zero. If there is any coverage in the local media (besides *The Gateway*), it will be buried on page two of the City section, right beside the obituaries. This is the usual coverage afforded student activities, the kind of coverage that allows the government to laugh when we protest. Faculty cuts and quotas make the front page, but student initiatives are generally buried as deeply as possible. Why? They simply are not newsworthy.

What's interesting about a bunch of malcontent students walking to the legislature? Nothing. What's interesting about a group of angry students stopping traffic on a major road? Plenty. That's the kind of effort that really garners headlines, and that's the kind of action that's going to attract the government's attention.

Of course, the conservative factions of the student body will object because, after all, we don't want to upset anybody, do we?

Damn right we do. It's about time for some radical action to show the government how we really feel, not just another walk in the park chanting "Hey, we're really, really upset about your actions, and this time we really mean it."

Hell, let's really go for broke this time. Let's block both ends of the tunnel under the legislature so that no one can drive their cars out of the parkade. If we don't all die of carbon monoxide inhalation we'll make a great point and I guarantee, the front page of the City section. It'll be even better if the riot police are called out to disperse the crowd.

Or, we could all get together, say "Gee, we really think that this is bad," agree with each other, pat each other on the back, and join the line-up of groups marching to the legislature. (Gosh, how often does someone march to the legislature? It can't be more than four or five times a week...)



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Letters

Gateway columns condemned

Virginia defends herself

Columnist Kristan McLeod's claim that my January 7 *Alberta Report* cover story on Women's Studies is devoid of substantiation or evidence (*Gateway*, January 17) needs an answer.

My article quotes by name a woman professor at an American university, who has researched the trust of feminist philosophy and teaching. It also quotes no fewer than three U of A professors. All three spoke publicly and on the record although, in view of present ideological attitudes on campus, they believe they did so at some risk to their careers.

One of these women further provided a detailed critique of the way in which she sees "the feminist perspective" distorting the teaching of her own specialty, anthropology. This ran as a sidebar story.

A second sidebar presented excerpts from a standard text used in Women's Studies courses themselves. These are brief, but their message is precisely the same in context or out, and they are entirely typical of the material being propagated through these courses.

Given all this, I can only think of

only three possible explanations for Ms. McLeod's claim that the *Alberta Report* articles failed to provide "substantiation" of the dangers of academic feminism. Either (a) she didn't read the articles, or (b) she can't read at all, or (c) she has long since dismissed reading, along with science and everything else, as "gender Oriented."

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Chamney chides Pires

I write to you in response to Teresa Pires' editorial in the January 24, *Gateway*. I hope that this letter will (a) correct some of her information and provide some insight which will lead to a better understanding, and (b) concur with some of her concerns.

Teresa mentions that students at the U of A already pay an "Athletic Services fee." While students do pay a fee, the "Athletics fee" they pay does not go directly to the Athletics department, or the University Athletics Board for that matter. The money goes into the great abyss that is the University of Alberta

account. A base budget is awarded the Athletics department (as with any academic department on campus) by upper administration, not necessarily based on the amount of funds generated through the fee.

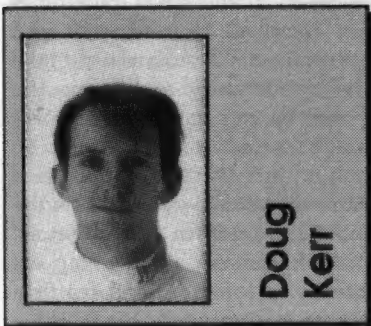
The \$20 000 corporate sponsorship that the SU currently has with the Athletics Department is just that, a corporate sponsorship. As with any corporation, this was a move decided upon their board of directors (i.e. the SU) and which may be continued or discontinued as new developments dictate.

Another thing implied by Teresa's editorial is that the UAB is looking out only for its own interests (i.e. saving athletics) in the face of a globally sacrificed quality of education at this University. This is simply not true. The UAB has taken a leadership role in and outside SU to protest the provincial rollbacks in funding to the U of A. We have spoken in classrooms, written letters to government officials and administration, and teamed up with the SU and GSA to try and fight these cuts. It is the logical thing to do as Student-athletes.

Teresa would like the athletes (UAB) and the Department of Ath-

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Homosexuals' problems beyond graffiti



Doug Kerr

I was wondering whether I should even bother to respond to Grant Venables' column on graffiti in men's bathroom stall. But then I thought about the years I spent as a "closeted" gay person on campus, and the amount of

homophobic misinformation I believed. Then I thought about all the young men at the U of A who are going through the painful process of coming out. Mr. Venables' sweeping generalizations of gay men as bathroom sex fiends has to be addressed.

First of all, I want to say that pornographic graffiti on bathroom walls is certainly not all written by homosexual men. Representations of female genitalia, descriptions of what Miss So-and-So does well and other bits of sexual information about women are just as degrading and childish as "homosexual graffiti." Lewdness is by no means limited to any sexual orientation.

Do we judge all heterosexual men by sexist and misogynistic trash written on bathroom walls? Of course not.

I also find statements such as "die faggots" or "kill the homos" to be the truly disgusting sentiments written in public lavatories. It's frightening to think that these people are fellow university students.

But more importantly, I think that Mr. Venables is missing the point as to who these homosexuals are and why they write the garbage they do. Maybe if he talked to his "homosexual friends" about the problems of coming out and the stigma of being a fag at the U of A,

he'd realize why so many men with repressed homosexual desires feel that the only place they can express themselves is in the privacy of a washroom. Anybody who remembers last year's Blue Jean Day certainly realizes that gay people aren't the most popular minority on campus!

To join GALOC, the gay and lesbian club at the U of A, is to take an entirely different step than writing on bathroom walls. It is, in effect, as Grant Venables states, to "grow up, organize and unite."

But the "closet cases" who write on bathroom stalls, the guys who parade girlfriends around in public and hide their private desires,

aren't about to join GALOC or any "gay dating service." I feel as much pity for these guys as Mr. Venables does. This has been a constant problem for GALOC, how do we comfortably open gay men and women, reach the hundreds, perhaps thousands, of university students who have to hide in bathroom stalls.

It's already 1991 and it's increasingly accepted to be gay. To all you homosexual guys in the closet (or is that bathroom stall?) come out, admit it, tell your friends and get on with life. To the rest of you—relax, every single one of you knows someone who is gay. It isn't a big deal.

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letics to search for other sources of funding (i.e. alumni, corporate sponsorship, etc.). I could not agree more. Every representative of inter-university teams on the UAB has been encouraged to pursue the formation of an alumni association which could help shoulder the responsibility of funding a team. The football and volleyball alumni have already begun programs to save their respective teams, and the Department of Athletics massively increased its corporate sponsorship from 1989-90—1990-91.

The editorial indicated that with increasing tuition and fees, students should not be taxed further. Once again, I could not agree more. As students at the UAB, we are just as disillusioned by library fees that don't go to the library and tuition that increases 15 percent per year. However, the proposed \$2.50/semester fee for the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund does not take the form of a blind tax, but will be administered by an impartial board of students to ensure the money gets where it is supposed to.

If the students vote to support it in the upcoming referendum, we hope that through the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund the students of this campus will see themselves as the major shareholders of their teams. Hopefully, the money generated will also give the stu-

dents more to be proud of.

Rick Chamney
President, University Athletic
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Physical Education IV

Graffiti griping galling

Mr. Venables, surely the Gulf War and the deterioration of education funding have sent you fleeing into the washrooms for the really important articles.

It is ridiculous to assume that the offending graffiti was made by gay men. Did you stand outside the stalls and take a poll? Did it occur to you that the names and phone numbers are forgeries and sick jokes? Heterosexuals and homosexuals are both quite capable of drawing crude cartoons, but the demeaning nature of the subject matter you describe would tend to indicate that it is the former who most often contributes to the bathroom "art." Please obtain your sociology from texts, not cartoons.

Mr. Venables, you are not a homophobe, but you do great disservice to your gay friends by falsely accusing them of writing on bathroom walls, and thus feeding the nazi homophobes with more propaganda.

B.E. Common
Asian Studies IV

Abortion not a good thing

Abortion for survival? You might as well say Death for Life. It sounds like something Saddam Hussein would come up with. Or else somebody with an equally sick mind.

The claim that "legality of abortion" has little effect on the rate of abortion is false. However, this claim is not surprising, since falsehood is an identifying remark of the abortion rights movements. Those who find nothing wrong with murder will certainly not balk at a mere lie.

I fail to see how unwanted children could be brought into the world when there is a seven year waiting list for adoptions. Furthermore, I know of no one who has overseen the disposal of their own body. And since Ms. Giroux infers that without legal abortion "you haven't gotten anywhere," she also infers that prior to 1970 there were no women that got anywhere.

Peter Englefield
Science IV

destroy the body of another, and (c) women who have had an abortion do not go on with their lives without remorse.

Suicides Anonymous (Cincinnati, Ohio 1981) reported that out of 5620 members about 4000 members were women, and out of that number 1800 had had abortions. There are also cases of teen-aged mothers who attempted to commit suicide on the day their child was to be born.

The life of any human being begins at its conception. The reason

that this human being does not have arms is because he or she is not mature enough. The reason that a four month old fetus is still inside the womb is because he or she is not mature enough to be outside. The reason that a two year old baby cannot walk is because he or she is not mature enough. The reason that a five year old can't get pregnant is because she is not mature enough.

Anthony Van Orizande
Science II



Re: "Abortion for survival,"
Gateway, January 24

Patricia Giroux, to correct your misinformation: (a) making abortions legal has greatly increased their number, (b) when you get an abortion, you do not dispose a part of your own body, but rather you

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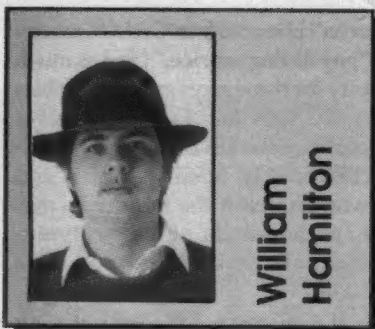
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Canadian constitutional issues lost in Gulf war



William Hamilton

Like the other 600 people who crammed themselves into the Northmount Community Centre Thursday night, I laughed along with Newfoundland premier Clyde Wells and Alberta Liberal leader Laurence Decore as they traded light-hearted jabs about their time as military lawyers in Ottawa. Although their dialogue worked well as a crowd-pleasing prologue to Wells' speech on the state of the constitution, I found the good-natured ribbing coun-

tered their agreement on constitutional problems and the Canadian involvement in the Persian Gulf conflict.

Wells accused the federal Tory government of using the Gulf war as a way of conveniently diverting Canadians' attention from the grave economic and constitutional problems facing the nation. When I asked him to expand on what the conflict is doing to the national agenda, Wells said that "you have to go on with all of the other issues in the country. Canada has a significant force in the Persian Gulf...and we must manage that." The Premier of Newfoundland, however, qualified the statement that the 1500 Canadian forces personnel in the Gulf could not commandeer Canada's agenda on their own.

In the meantime, we can't let the constitution and the country fall down around our ears, or we're not going to be of much value to the people in the Gulf. We must

deal with the problems at home as well.

Decore said that, given a choice, he would prefer to settle the constitutional issue after the Gulf crisis has ended, but "unfortunately, Quebec is hurrying the process...and that really forces our hand." Referring back to his introduction for Wells, Decore mentioned "there are many in Quebec that would scratch [themselves] and say that they are Canadian first...and Quebecois second."

"If I had my druthers," added Decore, "I'd rather wait until this war was finished—but I don't have my druthers."

Wells and Decore are justifiably concerned about what will happen to this country while the federal Tories are fighting Iraq. Canada's reputation as an "honest broker" in world affairs, already seriously compromised by Ottawa's decision to join the Organization of American States in 1989, is in danger of collapse as a result of federal policy

in the Persian Gulf. Public distrust of governments at all levels has reached new highs because of the Commons-Senate impasse—along with the Tories' way of resolving it—and the severed remnants of the Meech Lake Monster stalk the members of the Spicer Commission, the Belanger-Campeau Commission, and every organization bent on driving a stake through its heart.

I am as sick and tired as almost every Canadian of directives from above and upwellings from below that do nothing but confuse both sides and confuse everyone else in

between. If and when Iraqi forces are removed from Kuwait and neutralized, Canadians must take the opportunity to become the honest brokers again—to the world and to ourselves. We have to be able to put everything but Brian Mulroney snake-eyed dice on the table and reaffirm the provinces' place in Canada, reaffirm our existence as a nation, and reaffirm our co-existence with the world—and with each other.

Laurence Decore has no druthers about the Persian Gulf war. Neither do I.

How can I afford them now?

Letters continued

SU ignores Gulf war

In the last few years the Student's Union has, quite correctly, seen fit to take a stand on certain issues which have had a effect, direct or indirect, on the student body at this University. These issues have included everything from the 1989 Tianenmen Crisis to where Transit should park on campus. However, as Canadian forces enter into armed conflict for the first time since the Korean War, the conflict in the Gulf has yet to be deemed fit to merit a statement from the Student's Union.

Although present Students' Union policy is against taking

stands on external issues, this could easily be reversed by council. Despite this fact the Executive has yet to bring this question before Councillors. As sad a commentary as it is that the student leadership on this campus has not even had the courage to approach this issue, it is tragic to think that they do not believe this war will have an effect on the students of this university. If this belief is indeed true, that the gilded cage of the Students' Union is even more restrictive that it seems.

Claire Dickens
Faculte St. Jean IV

Humanism challenged

Dr. Henry Morgentaler will be in Edmonton January 31 to debate Dr. William Lane Craig on the topic: "Humanism vs. Christianity: Which is the More Rational World View?"

Over the years Christianity has had to intellectually defend its claims probably more so than any other world view has. As another attempt to explain the universe can Humanism shoulder its share of the burden of proof? Is Humanism true?

Scholars J.I. Packer and Thomas Howard, in their book *Christianity: The True Humanism*, suggest Humanism in its anti-Christianity form is held together by mere "assertion, and the turning of a blind eye to awkward facts" (p.34).

Humanism is not true just because Christianity can't prove its claims with absolute certainty. Certainty isn't a realistic standard and besides Humanism can't be true by default.

Humanism, in its contemporary formulation makes claims to knowledge. It claims that there is no personal God; nature is all that there is and human beings are the locus and source of moral values. Like all other claims to knowledge,

these need rational support, evidence, and arguments in their favour.

Humanism has the awkward position of prohibiting believing anything by faith while at the same time believing that human beings are the measure of all value. But a value judgement cannot be established by empirical evidence. Thus the Humanists' position on values must be accepted by faith.

Christianity can marshal evidence for its claims from contemporary science and philosophy which shows that our universe has not existed for an infinite time but had beginning, around 20 billion years ago with the Big Bang.

Other findings show that our universe appears to have been incredibly fine tuned so that it could support life. Christianity can also point to the remarkable historical evidence for the resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth from the dead.

Whether this evidence is convincing is for each individual to decide for themselves. But at least Christianity has responded to the demand for a defense of its claims to truth. Can Humanism do the same?

Michael Horner, M.A. Phil
University of Toronto

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Spermicidal Tendencies



Paul Notley

The Diary

in the world? Well, of course.

Quebec separatists are an unpleasant, mercenary lot, but if this country is going to fall apart we might as well know some facts about Bill 178. First off, the Quebec anglophones still have more power than any other linguistic minority in the country. Second, the main reason we have a notwithstanding clause in the first place for Bourassa to use is that Sterling Lyon, Gary Filmon's former boss, thought it was too dangerous for people to have a charter of rights. Third, Filmon's objections to Bill 178 are likely to have little weight when one considers that part of the reason for Filmon's success has been because he waged a hysterical and demagogic campaign against French-Manitobans own constitutional rights.

Thinking about Amnesty International club on campus, has there been a certain complacency about civil rights in the world? After all, the last decade hasn't been that bad for human rights. Eastern Europe has been liberated; South America has been liberated from the keepers of the disappeared; Namibia has received her independence; and the Philippines, Pakistan, South Africa, Mozambique, and South Korea have all had their regimes liberalized. So is there any repression left

With Kuwait in the news as it is, "Captive nations," are one of the world's biggest human rights problems. The two unluckiest are the Kurds and the Tibetans who have the bad luck of being under especially difficult regimes to get rid of. The Tibetans are under China, the most powerful dictatorship in the world, who has murdered them and repressed their typically enormous amounts. The Kurds live under four countries; Iraq, Iran, Turkey, and the Soviet Union, all of whom, particularly the first three, repress them horribly. But one can't forget the fate of the Timorese and the Sahara Arabians. In 1975, the old Portuguese colony of East Timor was supposed to be granted independence by the "mother" country. Emphasis on *was supposed to*, as Indonesia, a government we'll look at later, invaded and annexed the island. In doing so, they invaded and annexed a fifth to a half of the population of one million into mince-meat. Also, in 1975, the Spanish Sahara "was supposed to be" granted its independence. Before its citizens could declare the Saharan Arab Republic, it was invaded by Mauritania and Morocco. The former eventually left, but the latter has harshly oppressed it under the corrupt torturing rule of Sultan Hassan. You will probably not be surprised to learn that the U.S. funds both invaders and went out of its way to keep the issue out of the U.N.

Letters continued

Regenerate spiritual imagination

In your coverage of the teach-in on the Gulf Crisis I noted you left out the poem I read by Wendell Berry. The poem along with my rambling reflection was an attempt to address what I see as a more fundamental concern than military strategies or political rhetoric.

The spiritual imagination as it is shaped by and shapes our experience, as it undergirds our cultural and linguistic systems, appears to me to be the area that needs transformation. So much of this spiritual heritage and its current dominant features in Western, European and Middle Eastern cultures bifurcates and breaks apart human experience. This dualism is named by many feminist thinkers/feelers as the global culture of patriarchy. Its spiritual hegemony is reflected in all our religious, political, cultural and linguistic systems.

My hope in using the Berry poem was to indicate that the situation in the Gulf and the bombing and killing of this present war are not a consequence of a "them" but of an "us," in so far as we choose to leave unchallenged these spiritual presuppositions. The task, however, is not as easy as the language of choice indicates. The ways of seeing, the worlds of meaning that we live in, are not simply the consequence of individual and conscious choice. They carry the weight of culture inheritance.

This is why with Mary Daly, Jamake Highwater, and William James I see the problem as our own lack of imaginative reach. Those who would dare to speak in another key are ignored as irrelevant

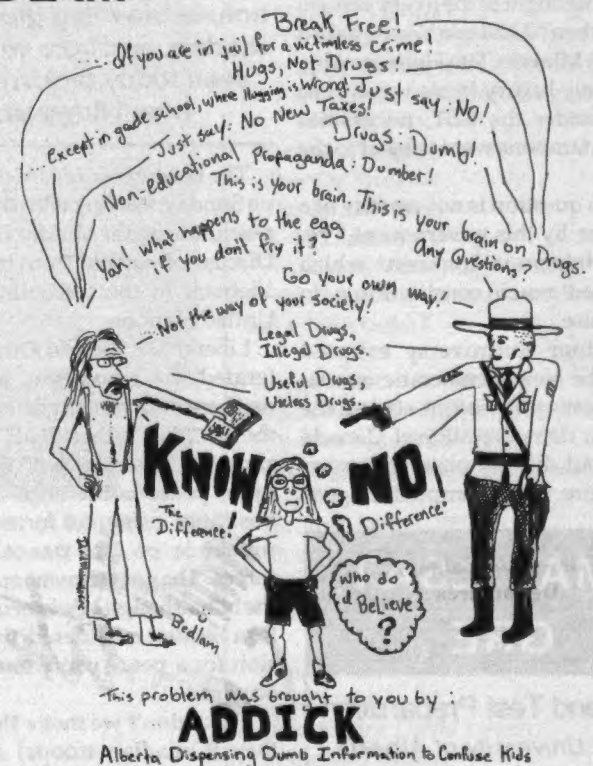
by most of us as we are transfixed by the abstractions of military and political rhetoric, left or right. Those who give birth, those who laugh, those who dance, those who attend to the poetry that is life, painters, dancers, singers, sculptors, holy ones whose speaking is for beauty are the most revolutionary amongst us. For they are opening to another language that if trusted leads beyond the shattered world of our politics and generals.

Practising resurrection requires

a life of passionate creativity. It is a creativity that recognizes with William James that every thing leans on everything else. All is in the leaning. As the destructive force of patriarchy is unleashed in the Gulf against life we must accept that our own lives are not separable from those Iraqi or Arabic lives. We must act to shift the spiritual ground from which such acts of despair have grown. We must practice resurrection.

Rev. Daniel Bogert-O'Brien
United Church Campus
Ministry

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Feature

for *The Gateway*



Dear Dr. Jimmy,
I'm a new-age 90's kind of guy and I want to have a baby. If I get a sex change will this be possible?
Sensitive, nurturing guy

Sensitive,

If you were that sensitive you would adopt an AIDS/Cocaine/Heroin baby. Besides, the operation is a bitch.

the Dr.

Dear Dr. Jimmy,
No one will suspect a thing. I'll get rid of you quickly and indiscreetly, and your column will be mine, all mine! Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha!

Your evil twin, Abandoned at birth.

Twin,
The Dr. was the one abandoned at birth. You are obviously an imposter. Slither away parasite.

the Dr.

Dear Dr. Jimmy,
I broke up with my boyfriend over a month ago. I still miss him desperately and want to get back together. I've gone on other dates

but it's not the same. How can I get over my ex-boyfriend?

Heart broken

H-B,
You sensitive types are beyond help. You broke up with him, right! Perhaps you should learn to live with your spur of the moment, "Oh I'm so mad at him" decisions. Think ahead shmuck. Life goes on. All that stuff. Maybe you shouldn't have pursued him just because he had a cute butt. The Dr. has decided that he will no longer entertain "I'm single now/I lost my girlfriend" letters. Stomach the pain, people, it'll happen again.

the Dr.

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Aspiring politicians strut their stuff in mock Parliament

by Karen Unland and Bob Ayers

Campus political parties got a chance to be real Parliamentarians this weekend as the second annual model parliament was held at the Legislature.

The Progressive Conservatives were the government again this year with a minority of 23 seats. The other three parties — Liberals, Reform and New Democrats — each had 20 seats.

The objective was to learn about Parliamentary procedure and to sharpen debating skills by arguing the merits of various bills.

Following a Throne Speech on Friday night, Question Period took place on Saturday morning.

The highlight of the lively session came when ND Nicola Young asked Finance Minister Tim Holman why, since only luxury items were to be taxed under the GST, necessities such as tampons were subject to the tax.

"This question is not worthy of a response by this government," replied Holman, a comment which provoked much consternation in the House.

A minor controversy erupted when the New Democratic caucus left Question Period to attend the anti-war demonstration at Canada Place, but did not observe proper procedure. This prompted the gov-

ernment to kill the ND bill on first reading.

The session was not without humour, however. During Question Period, Liberal leader Bill Cunningham commented that listening to Prime Minister Michael Loner was like attending a Milli Vanilli concert: "His lips are moving, but I'm not hearing anything." And in the debate on the government's attempt to privatize Canada Post, Deputy Government House Leader Scott Middleton rose on a Point of Order to declare ND Bryan Hollands' 120 decibel jacket an "offensive weapon."

"I think the U of A is a natural breeding ground for leaders, and from what I've seen today that tradition hasn't flagged."

The boisterous debate continued on Sunday, starting with the Liberal resolution on the Middle East crisis. Discussion ranged from the war in Vietnam to the credibility of the United Nations.

Liberal MP Alberto Oliveros defended the resolution, saying it neither condemned nor condoned the war, but rather dealt with the situation "after the fact" by calling for a peace conference after the hostilities cease and for continued presence of UN peacekeeping forces. The government supported the bill, although Minister of Energy Ron Seatter considered the provision for a peace conference rather obvious.

"Why don't we move that while they [Canadian troops] are over there, they wear shoes... [or] that they slice bread before putting it in the bag?"

New Democrat Ricardo Acuna claimed that "the UN has lost all credibility as a peacekeeper" and that "steps should be taken to ensure that this war ends now."

Reformer Chris Grey deplored

ND opposition to the bill.

"I've never seen such enthusiasm from a socialist group to support a fascist regime."

The motion carried in a free vote, with some opposition from the ND caucus.

The second matter of business was a return to the ND Bill P-2, which had been voted down on first reading Saturday. Special provisions were made with the unanimous consent of the House to hear first, second, and third readings of the bill on Sunday.

New Democrat Joanne Thornhill said the bill ensured "equal rights, not special rights" for gays and lesbians. Liberal leader Bill Cunningham also urged support for the bill.

The Reform party was strongly opposed, but insisted that opposition did not indicate homophobia. Moin Yaha urged members to "put people's sex lives back in the bedroom where they belong."

Minister of Transportation T.J. Horon claimed that gay and lesbian rights were already protected in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Along with the Reform party, the Tories warned of a "snowball effect" and an endangerment of heterosexual rights.

The Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister were not present for the vote as a personal protest of the ND walkout on Saturday. The bill passed by a slight majority.

The final order of business was the Reform party's Bill CR-1 for the creation of a complete national park system. Reformer Lee DeBoer called the proposed legislation a means to "keep in touch with our wilderness background."

Minister of the Environment Willis Michalchuk expressed government support for the bill as it "supports the spirit and intentions of the Green Plan." The Liberals also laid claim to the ideas expressed by the Reformers. Trenis Sondressen pledged "our support

for their support of our ideas."

The ND's voiced some opposition to the bill, saying that it did not go far enough to protect the environment.

Not all members toed the party line. Liberal Rod Frey ranted, "I have had it up to here with these pinko commie tree-hugging socialists" and Moin Yaha called his party's bill a "blatant infringement" on the rights of human beings to build. The motion was nonetheless carried by an overwhelming majority.

The government then requested that the House revert to government business to allow for a vote on its bill. Despite the Speaker's approval of that proposal, it did not receive unanimous consent and the bill died on the order paper.

Speaker Michael P. Ritter ended the session by praising participants,

saying many would someday be a "real addition to the political system."

Some genuine Parliamentarians watched from the Gallery. Conservative MP Jim Edwards called the model parliament an "incubator of democracy", pointing out that when he attended the University of Alberta, Joe Clark was president of the PC Club, Jim Coutts was president of the Liberal Club, and Grant Notley was president of the U of A New Democrats.

"I think the U of A is a natural breeding ground for leaders, and from what I've seen today that tradition hasn't flagged," he said.

Other Parliamentarians in attendance included Housing and Municipal Affairs Minister Ray Speaker, Reform Party MP Deborah Grey, and ND MLA's Derek Fox and Barrie Chivers.

REC FIGHT continued from p. 3

organized by the SU and the GSA.

In an attempt to strengthen its department from within, RSS will have a booth at University Orientation Days to attract high school students. It is also seeking funds from alumni and private corporations.

Despite claims that the department is "peripheral," Vinge says that scholastic achievement is high and the program requires four

years at a university rather than two years at a college.

"It's a profession that we all believe in... you don't just gravitate here because you can't do anything else."

Dr. Dianne Kieren, associate vp academic, was unable to comment on specific cuts.

"We as the administration are not releasing anything until the mid-February document."

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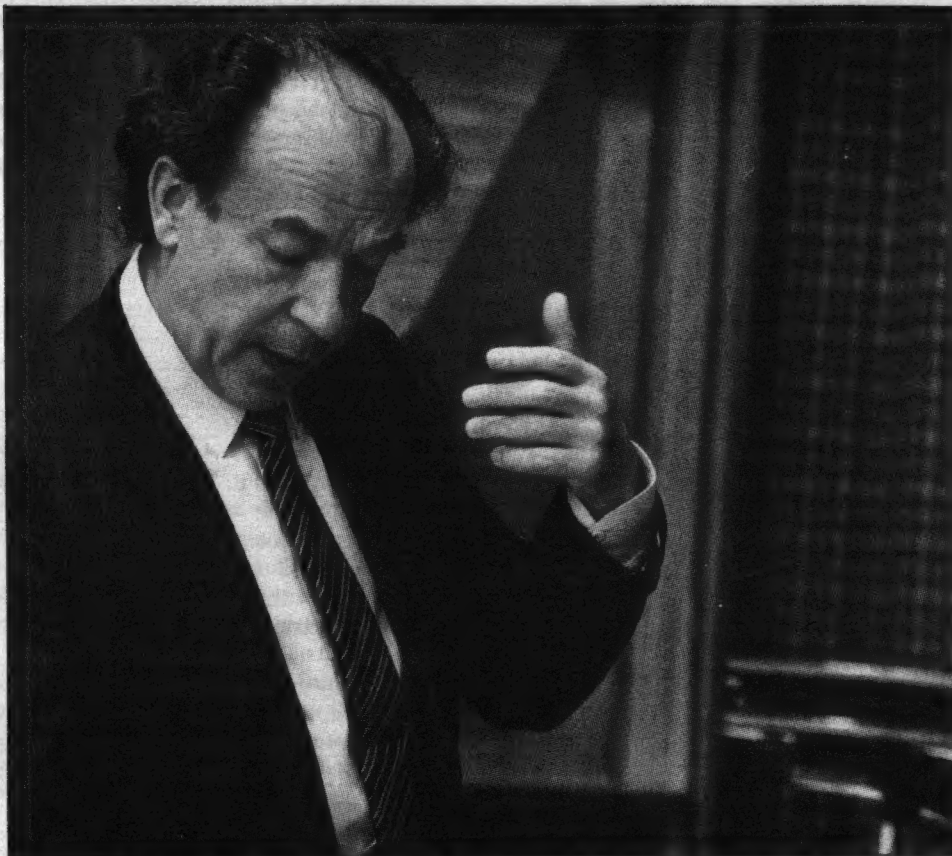
by Mike Evans (with thanks to Folio)

The Department of Music is happy to welcome world-renowned pianist Paul Badura-Skoda to the University of Alberta as the first TriBACH Artist-in-Residence. Because the term of Badura-Skoda's residency coincides with the bicentennial of Mozart's death, this year's program will concentrate on Mozart's music. His schedule includes lecture, chamber music coaching, two piano masterclasses and three performances with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra.

His public performances will be of "Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 18, K. 456 in B-flat Major," February 1 and 2 at the Jubilee Auditorium as part of the Magnificent Masters series and a matinee presentation of the same February 3 at 2:00 pm. at the Mclab Theatre at the Citadel.

Fellow pianist Helmut Brauss says of Badura-Skoda that he carries on the old European tradition of concentrating on the transcendent quality of the music rather than stylistic pyrotechnics. "He has a world reputation, that is true, but he's not a star or a virtuoso type who wants to put on a show. His aim is to dig down to the meaning of the music."

Badura-Skoda conducts and composes in addition to touring as a concert pianist and also has an abiding interest in the development of young musicians, which interest brings him to the U of A. Department of



Viennese pianist Paul Badura-Skoda visits U of A Department of Music.

Music spokesperson Brenda Musselman says his chamber music coaching sessions and piano masterclasses are open to observation

by the general public and will be held at 10:00 am. and 8:00 pm. respectively, January 30 and February 4 in Convocation Hall.

Magic Shakespeare series

by Mike Evans

Professor Linda Woodbridge of the Department of English will be presenting this year's Edmund Kemper Broadus Lectures under the theme "Shakespeare and Magical Thinking." The recent appearance of *Hamlet* and *Henry V* on the movie screens of the nation, not to mention the commitment of the Princess Theatre to present "difficult" films, including the works of William Shakespeare, and Shakespeare's continued status as the pre-eminent English poet/dramatist are all reason enough for the university community at large to consider attending the lectures.

Professor Woodbridge is a Renaissance/Shakespeare specialist and is currently on leave with a McCalla Research Professorship grant to pursue scholarly interests. Her pub-

lications include *Women and the English Renaissance* and *Shakespeare: A Selected Bibliography of Modern Criticism*.

The first lecture, entitled "Patchwork: Piecing Together the Early Modern Mind," was presented yesterday. The remaining lectures in the series are as follows below.

30 January: "Shakespeare and the Carnival of Time."

31 January: "The New Historicism, University Administration and Other Fairy Tales."

1 February: "Green Shakespeare."

All lectures begin at 4:00 pm. and are in L-1 Humanities Centre.

The Edmund Kemper Broadus Lectures are an annual presentation in the memory of Professor Broadus, the first full professor of English at the University of Alberta. Profes-

sor Broadus was recruited from Harvard University in 1908 and was department head until his death in 1936.

Lecture notes:

Other upcoming lectures which may be of interest to students include the following.

28 January: "Different Forms of Reasoning." Sponsored by Women's Studies; presented by Eric Higgs. 4:00 pm., Senate Chamber, Arts Building.

29 January: "Women and Human Rights." Sponsored by the International Centre; presented by Sonya Sobon, executive director of the organization Public Awareness of Sexual Stereotyping and Pornography. 12:30 pm., 172 HUB International (ground level).

30 January: "Human Rights and the University of Alberta." Anne McLellan. 12:00 noon, HUB International.

Happening thangs

On-going events:

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Citadel Theatre

Rice Theatre

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by Athol Fugard

through February 3

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Citadel Theatre

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Stage West

The Cemetery Club

by Ivan Menchall

starring Ann B. Davis (remember The Brady Bunch?)

through March 27

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Wednesday, January 30

Film

Eraserhead

directed by David Lynch

Princess Theatre

9:30 pm.

This film is Lynch's debut feature, made while he was a film student and shot entirely in a good friends attic — well, just about. Anyhow, see how incredibly twisted this puppy was even in his youth.

Music

Nervous Rex

RATT

9:30 pm.

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Thursday, January 31

Film

The African Queen

White Hunter, Black Heart

Princess Theatre

7:00 and 9:30 pm.

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Music

The Stoaters

The Power Plant

9:00 pm.

through Saturday

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Theatre

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Kaasa Theatre

Jubilee Auditorium

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January 30

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NICARAGUA: Sacrifice, persistence

The long history of U.S. involvement in Latin America has largely followed the dictates of what has come to be known as the Monroe Doctrine. First formulated in 1823 by President James Monroe, it has been a cornerstone of U.S. foreign policy. It states that any attempt by European powers to interfere in the affairs of the countries of the Americas or to acquire territory on the American continents will be regarded by the U.S. as an unfriendly act. The Doctrine has in turn been used by successive U.S. administrations as the basis for American aggression and intervention in the political and economic affairs of Latin American countries. Nicaragua has been a classical example of how the doctrine has been implemented.

The history of US involvement in Nicaragua dates back to the 1830's, when the US government began to formulate a plan to build a canal across Nicaragua. The plan failed and the US instead built the canal in the newly formed country of Panama.

In the 1850's, US intervention became the order of the day. In 1854, Nicaraguans began to protest US involvement in the country's political and economic affairs. The climax of the protests came when the US foreign Ministry in San Juan del Norte, was attacked. In retaliation the warship Cayne shelled San Juan's port and reduced it to ashes. U.S. aggression later escalated to several all out military invasions: 1850, 1853, 1854, and 1857.

In 1909, the nationalist government shot two Americans for participating in armed actions against the Nicaraguan government. The U.S. delivered a note, known as the "Knox note", in which it openly states that it had the right to intervene in Nicaragua's internal affairs.

In 1910, the U.S. sent warships to back a Conservative revolt against President Jose Santos Zelaya, "whose nationalism threatened Washington". The US Marines landed in 1912 to back the Conservative Party revolt. The marines were met by an armed resistance led by Benjamin Zeledon. The rebellion was ruthlessly crushed. Zeledon was murdered and his body was tied to a horse and dragged through the streets of the Village of Niquinohomo as a lesson to others. The Conservative Party was put in power and was backed by 100 US marines which remained in Nicaragua until 1925.

In 1926, the Liberal Party of Nicaragua rebelled against the US-supported Conservative Party leader. The marines came back and forced a political settlement. Finding the treaty only beneficial to the Americans and to the Nicaraguan upper class and unfair to the majority of the people, Augusto Cesar Sandino organized an anti-imperialist army of peasants. The US Secretary of State, Frank Kellogg, sounded the alert against the menace of "Soviet Bolshevism". The US responded with the first counterinsurgency war in Nicaragua. U.S. war planes indiscriminately bombed the city of Ocotal on June 16, 1927, killing 300 people. But this action did not slow down the revolt; people from all walks of life supported it. After 5 years of fighting, and having been unable to defeat Sandino and his peasant army, the U.S. with-

drew from the country in January, 1933. But before doing so, it established the National Guard under the command of General Anastasio Somoza Garcia.

Somoza initiated peace negotiations with Sandino. He was invited to the presidential palace to discuss the future of Nicaragua. On his way home, Sandino was murdered by Somoza's assassins (1934). Two years later (1936), General Somoza ousted the president of Nicaragua and established himself as head of state. The US promptly recognized the new government.

In 1956, Somoza was shot by Nicaraguan poet Regilio Lopez Perez. Somoza's eldest son, Luis Somoza Debayle, became the next head of state. He died in 1967 and Anastasio "Tacho" Somoza Debayle inherited the family dictatorship.

In late 1961, a small group of Nicaraguans established the Sandinista Front for National Liberation (FSLN). It renewed the struggle for self-determination. The Sandinista army grew from a small group of men hiding in the jungles of Nicaragua to a mass movement. The National guardsmen became more and more brutal in their treatment of civilians as the uprising gained momentum. The Guardia used tactics such as torture, kidnapping and murder to control the people.

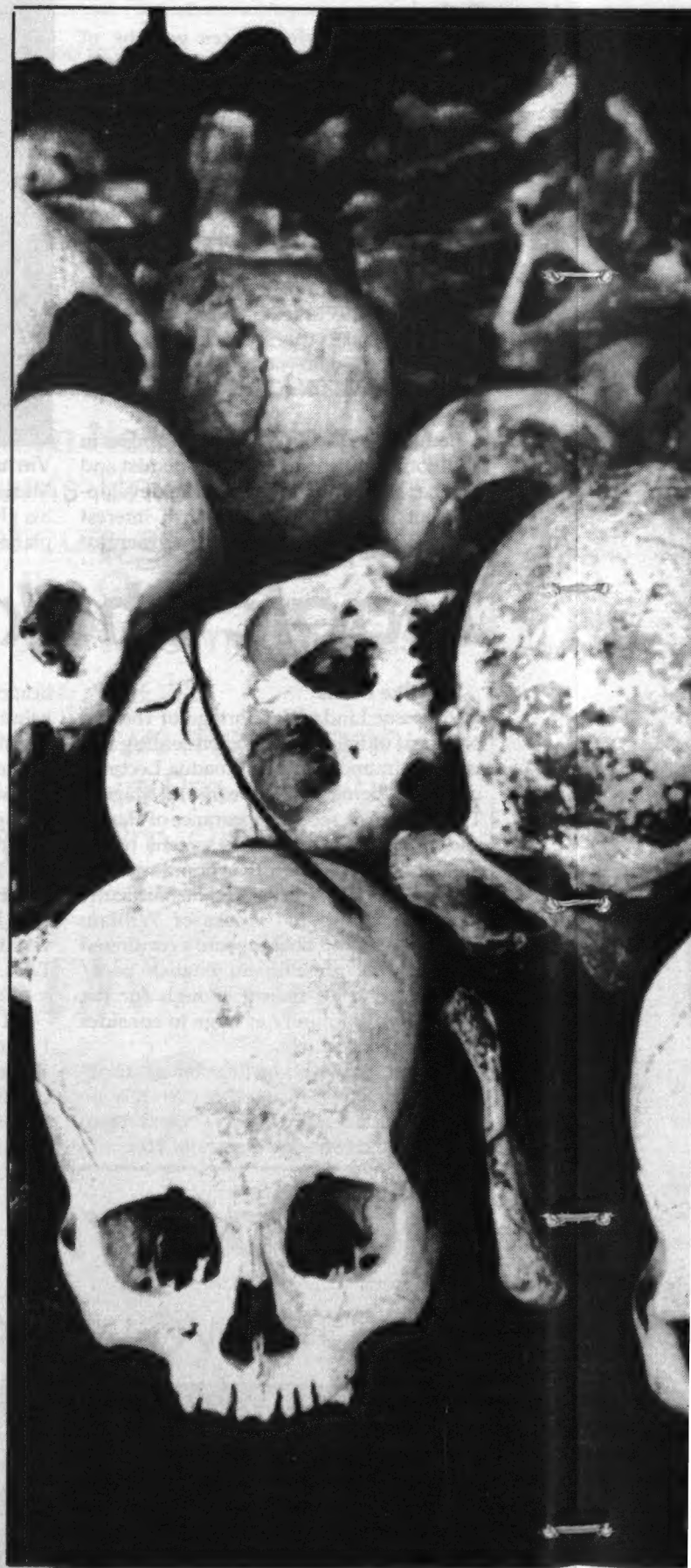
In July 19, 1979, the Sandinistas entered the capital city of Nicaragua; Somoza fled to Venezuela with most of the National Guard. The Sandinistas were now faced with the task of rebuilding Nicaragua. According to the U.N., over 25% of Nicaragua's factories suffered damage to plant buildings and inventory. The war cost Nicaragua U.S.\$1.3 billion in physical damage, lost exports and flight of capital. The Somoza family robbed the National Bank, leaving only US\$3.6 million in the national treasury and a debt of US\$1.6 billion.

The new government set to rebuild the country's economy and to develop social programs. The new economy would be based on a "mix" of private and government owned industries. Under this plan foreign companies and private individuals would be able to keep their holdings as long as they respected the law. Land reform was carried out and many landless peasants benefited. A literacy campaign, which in 1980 won the UNESCO Literacy Prize, was organized by the Sandinista government. Before the revolution, more than 50% of the population was illiterate. By 1981, illiteracy was reduced to 13%. This was accomplished by literacy brigades composed of secondary school and university students; 95,000 "brigadistas" took part in the campaign.

Health was another of the main campaigns undertaken by the Sandinista government. Before 1979, only one-quarter of the

population had access to medical services on a regular basis. Life expectancy among the poor was 40-45 years, and infant mortality was 120/1000 and in some areas 1000. Most children died of preventable diseases such as measles, tetanus and diarrhea. In 1980, over half of the children under the age of five were inoculated against polio. In 1981, regular medical services rose to 70% of the population.

The revolution also helped to elevate the consciousness of the country where they had limited opportunities to participate in political and economic life. In the final insurrection which



Graphic by Stephen Notley

Somoza, one-third of the combatants were women. The revolution opened the door to the participation of women in politics, human rights organizations, defence, and other aspects of society. Women's increased political and social awareness led to new tensions in society. The Catholic Church is also a source of tension as the destruction of traditional family values.

In 1981, the CIA took control of a group made up of former members of the National Guard and founded the Nicaraguan

Resistance and self-determination

Services on a regular basis. The average was 40-45 years, among the rich it was 70-1000 and in some areas as much as 300/1000. Infectious diseases such as whooping cough, in 1980, over half a million children under against polio. In 1983, 50,000 volunteers on campaign against measles. Access to 70% of the population.

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Its main goal was to overthrow the Sandinistas and to re-establish a government friendly to the U.S. In order to finance this group, the Reagan administration told Congress its only task would be to stop the flow of arms to the FMLN in El Salvador. It told the public that the funds would be used to stop Soviet expansion and the "domino effect" and to bring democracy to the country. Funds also came from private organizations such as different evangelist churches. The hierarchy of the Catholic church was also opposed to the revolution and sent some of its members to the U.S. to raise funds for the contras and other groups opposed to the Sandinista government.

In 1984, the Sandinista government held parliamentary and presidential elections. It gave opposition parties U.S. \$300,000 to finance their campaigns and access to prime time on TV to broadcast their political messages. Three conservative parties withdrew from the elections, because the Sandinistas would not hold peace talks with the U.S.-sponsored contras. On election day, about 80% of registered voters turned out. The Sandinistas were the clear winners, taking 61 of the 96 assembly seats. The Reagan administration called it a "Communist-style" election. The Latin American Studies Association (LASA) reported that the "Sandinistas made major concessions to opposition forces on nearly all points of contention", "no major political party was denied access to the electoral process" and that the "vote was truly a secret ballot".

On May 1, 1985, the U.S. imposed a complete trade embargo and increased funds to the contras, who now numbered 12,000 fighters. The contras claimed to be making great military advances. In five years of contra activity, 11,000 Nicaraguans had died. Eduardo Lopez Valenzuela, a member of the FDN, spoke about attacks upon civilians:

"We arrived at the road at 4:30, and proceeded at once to set up our roadblock. A blue jeep with 13 people appeared. The 13 people got out and lined up in front for us. Among them were three nurses. Jimmy Leo, Polo and Ruben proceeded to rape all three. The women pleaded with them to stop but no one paid any attention to them. After the rape, they fired salvos of 20 shots from their FALs in the breast and head of each woman.

Then Jimmy Leo went up to one of them who looked like a foreigner, who said, "Stop this shooting, we are civilians. I am a doctor from Germany. Don't murder us!"

Jimmy paid no attention to this, and as the foreigner

once more cried, "Don't murder us," Jimmy proceeded to fill him with lead from his FAL, from his head down to his chest. After he shot him, Jimmy turned to me and said, "Now it's your turn." So I went and killed a person wearing blue pants and a white shirt. One shot after another from the machine gun, five in the head and five in the chest.

When they were all dead, we were satisfied. We were happy, and shouted out many times: "With God and Patriotism we will

Feature by Eric Vargas. Eric is a history student and President of the campus chapter of Tools for Peace. A native of Chile, he has a vested interest in Latin American affairs.

overthrow the communists" and "Long live the FDN."

In 1985, the Nicaraguan government increased its military budget to 54%. It organized militias in all populated centres. During this time it suspended civil right because of the threat of a U.S. invasion. It also suspended "La Prensa", a major newspaper run by Violeta Chamorro, for supporting the main goals of the contras. During the war, Nicaragua filed a claim against the U.S. government with the World Court (U.N.). The World court ruled in favour of Nicaragua; US\$17 Billion were awarded to Nicaragua. The U.S. has not yet compensated Nicaragua because it doesn't recognize the authority of the ruling.

As the war went on most social programs suffered. The economy took a downturn. In 1988, Nicaragua was hit by a hurricane. The damage suffered ran into billions of dollars.

In February 1990, Nicaragua held elections. The results shocked the world; the UNO coalition, consisting of parties for the ultra-right to the Communist party, defeated the Sandinistas.

The new government has set out to re-establish a free market economy. It began by freezing investment into government owned industries, such as public transportation in Managua, in order to make them non-profitable and to be able to later sell these to the private sector. It has also cut funding in areas such as health, education and government services.

The rural population is in danger of being thrown out of the land. Legislation has been introduced to return state-owned, cooperatively worked land to its former owners and in to private hands; many of these individuals have lived in Miami since 1979.

An organization called National Salvation, has been set up by the Vice president and the Superior Council of Private Enterprise. They have proposed the organization of an armed group in order to "cleanse Nicaragua of Sandinista-Marxist ideology". They are now only hiring non-Sandinista supporters. The government has also taken the same stand.

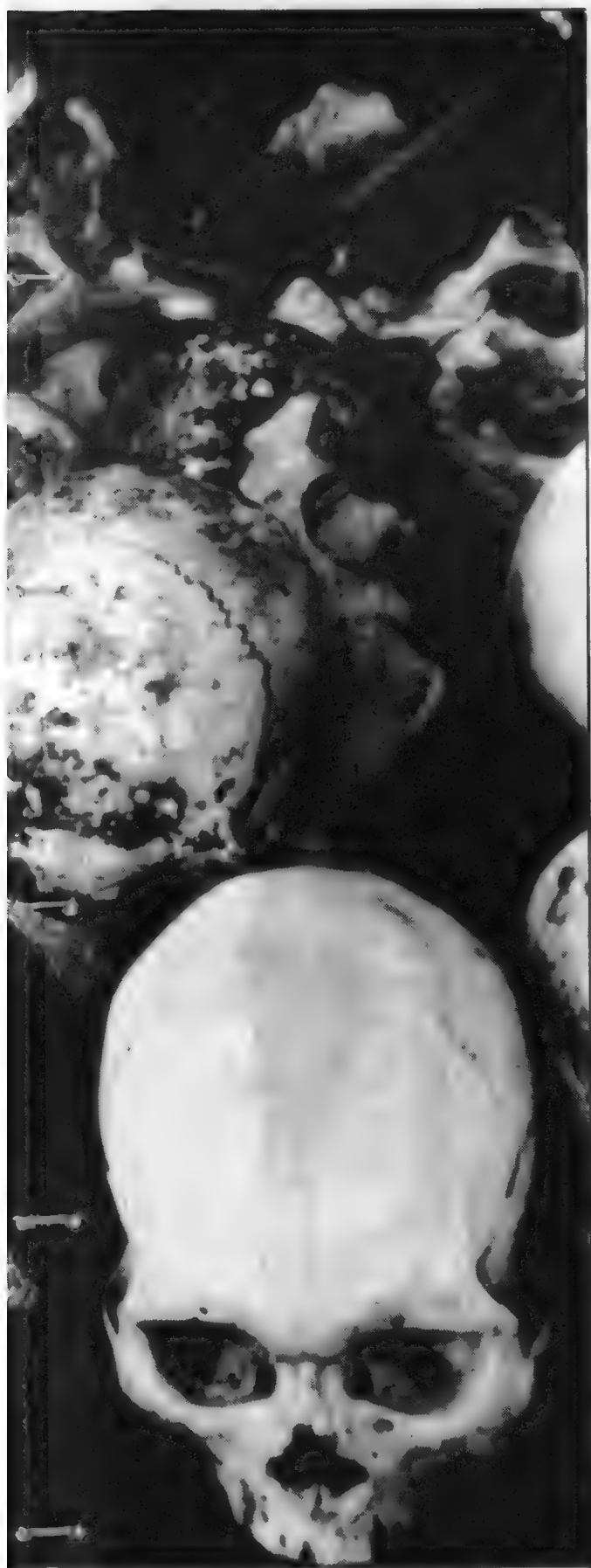
The economy has also taken a turn for the worst. The Cordoba has devastate tremendously (1,200,000 to one U.S. dollar). Jobs have been lost due to government cut backs. The expected investment of foreign capital has not materialized. The only aid the U.S. has offered, is to pay for the training, equipment, and setting-up of a new police force. The Chamorro government has asked the U.S. for aid, but the

U.S. has chosen to ignore it. The U.S. wants the Nicaraguan government to drop the claim it filed with the World Court whereby it was ordered to pay for the damages inflicted on Nicaragua during the 1980's.

Nicaraguans are now dissatisfied with the UNO government policies. But they are not the only ones, former contras are also dissatisfied because promises are not being fulfilled. So they have taken matters into their own hands.

They are moving back to the north of Nicaragua and are now taking land for themselves and sometimes taking over existing Co-ops.

The U.S. may have caused the defeat of the Sandinistas but has yet to deal with a new awareness among the people of Nicaragua. No longer will they allow policies to be determined by Washington or any other foreign power. The people of Nicaragua now face hard economic times, but they have learned that only through sacrifice and persistence will they be able to exercise their right to self-determination.



antants were women. This has opened the men in politics, health programmes, commerce, and other aspects of Nicaragua's life. Social awareness has provoked consideration. Catholic Church is also opposed to what it sees as family values.

of a group made up of former members of the Nicaraguan Democratic Force (FDN).

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According to Jake and the Kid
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by Gabino Vidal Travassos

I had no preconception of Whoa Mitchell. I have not read Who Has Seen the Wind or the original Jake and the Kid or the recently released *Roses Are Difficult Here*. I was unprepared.

Confessions aside, I really wanted to know what a "Winner of the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour" would read like. Damn well, presumably.

This book is a collection of short stories based on the CBC radio series that ran from 1950 to 1956. The setting is Crocus, Saskatchewan. Jake is a hired hand who comes to work for the Kid's mother when her husband goes to fight in Europe in WWII. Apparently the Kid has no known first name (I couldn't find it) but in a town with citizens named Repeat Golightly and Malleable Brown, this is typical.

The Windsor Star suggests comparison with Chekov on the blurbs but a more accurate comparison would be with Stephen Leacock himself because his sketches "Arcadian Adventures of the Idle Rich," "Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town," etc.) focus on one town.

I must admit that despite my interest in this medal-winner, I did not approach this book with an open mind. These were, after all, stories about Saskatchewan. Probably nice stories about tractors, right? And crops. I was faintly optimistic that the book would resemble Martha Ostenso's *Wild Geese*, a story about barbaric Canadian farmers. But the cover has this old guy smiling with a

granary in the background. Ugh.

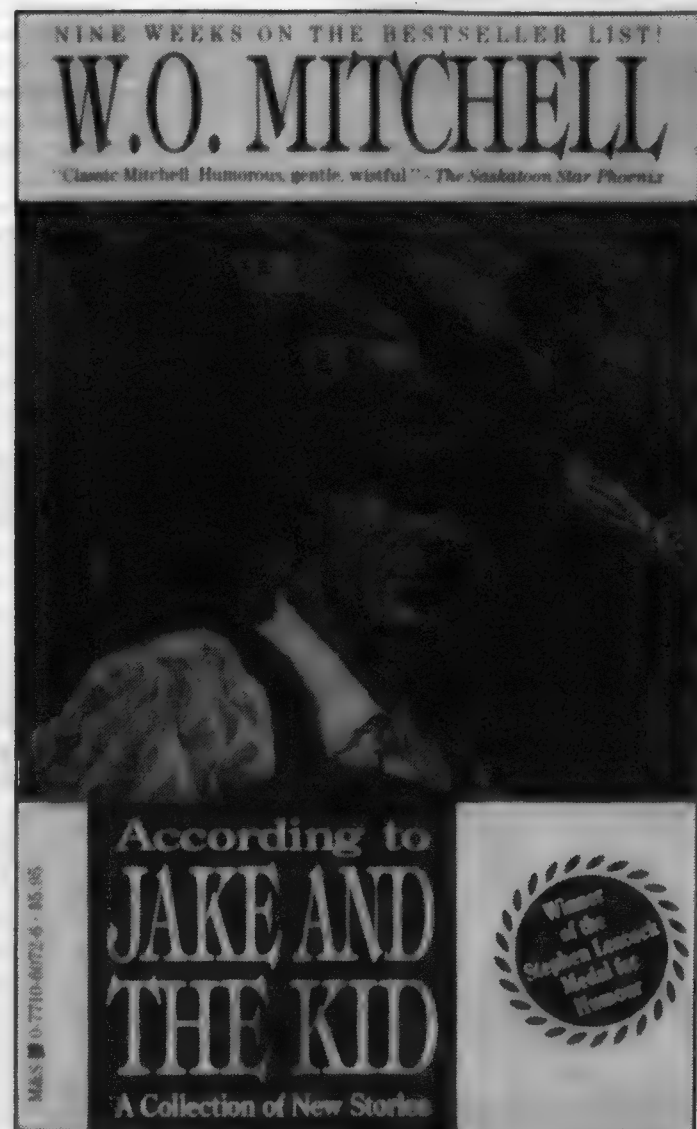
And the first two stories didn't help none either. "Elbow Room" is written from the point of view of the Kid and slogs through thick war themes with a hammer. The second story, "Gettin' Born," is also from the Kid's focus and is melancholic and dramatically strained. Neither of these were particularly interesting or amusing.

Third story, "Jackrabbit Baby." This time Jake did tellin' and we stood up to listen. It was kind of manipulative like a CBC TV drama but it was a new narrator and a nice change.

Middle of the book. I'm so comfortable with the characters that I've re-read the first two stories and liked them. "Lo! The Noble Redskin!" is hilarious. Jake is tormented by a prolific but horrible poet who is bad enough to "give a badger's ass the heartburn." And "Love's Wild Magic" made me shake and scream. Pure screaming joy.

Not everything is so amusing. There are themes of racism and women's rights to representation. Jake treats it all with equal unconcern and somehow it all works out.

The cover says "Humorous, gentle, wistful." Humour is obvious, this is a great book. Gentle is true, there are kittens and blizzards and schoolteachers and curling and lotteries, but this is a great book. Like when Jake is bullshitting everyone about the water-witching and he's made a wand out of copper pipe that he calls a "modern atom-ic wand." It can find water in the ground and when it trembles "like a kootchie dancer," Malleable Brown says "Holy diddle!" Holy diddle. Can you beat that? Holy diddle. This is a great book.



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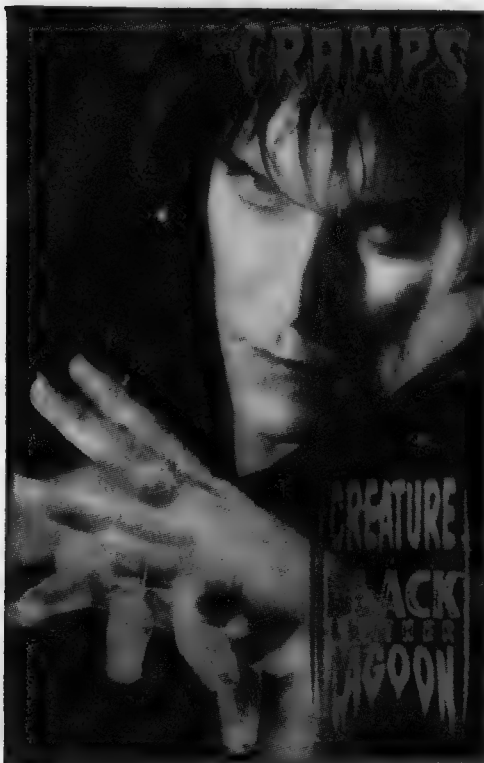
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self-titled
Darryl Tookes
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This would have been a longer review but when I sat down to write it, ten minutes after listening to the album, I found I was completely unable to recall a single thing about it.



Burned
Hype
Fringe

The title of Hype's first album is quite appropriate, as burned is what some people will feel after shelling out ten bucks for this questionable effort. Your first tip-off is that the band members' names are not printed anywhere. I would assume they didn't want to be identified.

Hype seems to aim at a mix between Anthrax and The Dead Milkmen although they generally sound more like Billy and the Boingers. They do manage to cover a wide variety of subject matter from Free Trade and the plight of Canadian natives to house parties and "ditchpigs." As with most thrash, you can't take the lyrics too seriously — but with lines like "How I long to see Beothoks bewildered, drunk of Toronto brine," who would?

The guitar work is rather repetitious, using all of about three chords and the same

Okay, no problem — I put the album on again and tried to write as I listened (I've had some practice reviewing boring albums). To my surprise, Mr. Tooke was able to produce music of such astonishing blandness that even this measure failed.

About the best I can do is testify that if you buy this album there is actual music on it. There are sounds and words arranged in vaguely melodic patterns. Beyond that, the boredom cut-out circuit in my brain kicks in, I'm afraid. I get vague impressions of New-Ageish soothing keyboard banks and mellowish crooning about Rio, the sun, lifeguards and flowers and such. Fortunately, Darryl Tooke's lyrics are immortalized in print on the inside cover, so I can share poetic tidbits as these with you: I promise you love, nothing but true love/ No one can thrill me like you, love; A tender kiss will make the flowers grow/ Like shooting stars across the sky (?); I know this must be love/ I know this must be love; etc., etc.

I could recommend this as good music to fall asleep to but personally I would be worried about slipping into a coma. After trying to figure out something positive to say about this album for some time, I came up with this: dead people, perhaps, would probably not protest as much if subjected to it in limited dosages.

So if there are a couple of cadavers you know that are running low on good listening material, I imagine they could stomach Darryl Tookes, if they aren't terribly discerning.

Jason Kapalka

Creature From The Black Leather Lagoon
The Cramps
Enigma Records

This five song release from the infamous Cramps, a humorous, shocking, funrock band, is kind of boring, and I recommend it to few other than steadfast fans. The only good track is a weirded out version of a Carl Perkins tune; boring, unfunny songs occupy the remaining slots.

Efforts like the title track, and "Jackyard Backoff" tend to fall entirely flat (flaccid?). I should note that this music would be lots of fun live, with a drink or two under your belt, but it's pretty unsatisfying for something recorded "for your listening enjoyment." Alternative bands that play fun rock with messed up lyrics should be a little catchier and a lot funnier. Groups such as the Dead Milkmen and Mojo Nixon are doing a much better job. Save your money.

Terry Williams

bass line in several pieces. One interesting selection is their version of "Surfin' Safari" at the end of "Assholes at Large." It's hard to figure out exactly what they're trying for as most of the songs are very brief and the whole collection clocks in under thirty minutes.

On the upside, there is plenty of swearing, screaming and unidentifiable noise. About the noise, I couldn't say for sure, but I suspect this album was recorded in a small barn judging from the sound quality. All of this makes Hype sound like a second-rate Dead Kennedys. If you're looking for something to piss off the neighbours, this is the record for you.

Overall, hype does have some potential (much of it shown in "Intermission"), so if you're a hardcore thrash fan, pick up Burned; at the very least you'll find it interesting. The general population should save their money for something more substantial like the upcoming Milli Vanilli follow-up.

Jason Weickert



Vanity/Nemesis
Celtic Frost
Noise/BMG

In the wake of an often unoriginal, bandwagon-oriented hard rock music scene, it is indeed refreshing to see progressive/experimental bands such as Queensryche and Fates Warning, twisting the stuff of hard rock into interesting new shapes with every outing.

Celtic Frost, in a similar vein, started out

as a three piece thrash metal outfit but has, with every album, tried their hand at manufacturing their original sound with a different method of execution. This is why when you buy a Celtic Frost release you might hear orchestras, opera singing, strange sound effects and foreign tongues in addition to the heavy, plodding sound that is their trademark. This is the kind of group that has worn everything from leather and studs, to sweatshirts and denims, to lace and eyeshadow.

Vanity/Nemesis (two title tracks...brilliant or pretentious?) is a hard rock/metal venture, composed of complex rhythms, utilizing such niceties as acoustic strings, female voices (French and English) and an occasional violin gone awry. Sound interesting, if anything? I'm afraid not.

Although the music is well written and the sound is unmistakably Celtic Frost (a good thing), the album's material is somehow unenergetic and uninteresting. Not as driving as *To Mega Therion*, and not as ominous as *Into the Pandemonium*, the album lacks rawness for those that enjoy metal and is probably too droning and irritating for those that do not. In addition, some of the rhythms seem to be rehashings of some of their older stuff, and one can definitely pick out some Megadeth riffing in "The Name of My Bride."

Original bands should be a touch more original. It is truly an unhappy event when a venturesome band such as this one cannot make an album that is at least interesting. Nevertheless, if the goods aren't there, and this time they aren't, one must be practical...and abstain.

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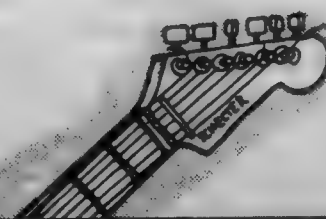
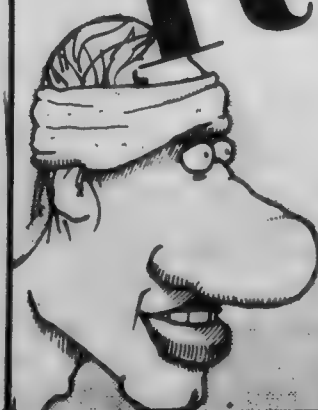
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Hockey Bears Gunn-ed down by Dawgs

Huskies 6 Bears 4
Huskies 4 Bears 4

by Todd Saelhof

The obvious question posed to the University of Saskatchewan Huskies following this weekend's successful clash with the second ranked University of Alberta Golden Bears was "do you have the Bears' number?"

"Oh heavens no," said Husky head coach Bill Seymour. "We were outplayed pretty badly, especially (Saturday). It was an ugly tie, but we'll take our three points and get out of here."

Seymour, however, seemingly forgot to glance over this season's history between his Huskies and the Bears. In four meetings, the Huskies have stolen seven points of a possible eight, including three from this past weekend after Friday's 6-4 mauling of the Bears and Saturday's 4-up knot. Number or not, the Dawgs have definitely become the Bears' Achilles' heel.

"We've been struggling against (the Huskies)," said Bear winger Dan Wiebe. "Everytime we play them we can't seem to pop the goals when we've needed them. They seem to get a few more breaks than we do. The last two nights, it's turned out in their favour."

Thanks in big part to goaltending. Earlier this season, Pat Nogier turned aside the Golden Bears two straight in Saskatoon. This weekend, however, it was fourth year tender Royden Gunn's time in the limelight.

"Thank God for Royden Gunn, tonight," Seymour said.

Not only did Gunn steer aside 41 Bear shots in Game Two, but with only a handful of seconds left in regulation time, Gunn faced clutch Bear Rob Glasgow on a redline-in breakaway.

"(Glasgow's) a right handed shot coming down my left side. I thought he might go to his backhand and I was ready for the pokecheck, but he held firm on the glove," Gunn added. "I gave a bit to him and he

went for it."

Gunn came away shiny side up and after a scoreless extra five minutes, the Bears complete comeback bid stalled. So too has their drive for top spot in Canada West, at least temporarily. After this weekend's setback, the Bears trail the first place Calgary Dinosaurs by three points.

"Losing at home at anytime is big. Losing at home with only five weeks left in the season is really big," said Bear veteran Gord Thibodeau.

Friday night, the Bears hit the ice with traditional Green and Gold style. They outshot the Huskies 12-7 and came away with a 2-0 lead after twenty minutes. Adam Morrison showed incredible pointblank patience before firing his fourth of the year through Gunn's legs on the powerplay. Seven minutes later, Steve Young outmuscled a Husky to bang home a onetimer from Bear Captain Doug McCarthy.

The middle frame, though, spelled the end of the Bear assault as Brad McGinnis and Ron Thiessen each potted a pair to whip-up Husky spirit. First star McGinnis capitalized on a Gavin Armstrong miscue before second star Thiessen wired a ten foot wrister by the Bear goalie. Each popped in another puck before the end of the period and the Bears never climbed back into contention despite late third frame markers by third star Guy Paradis and Marty Yewchuk.

"It's one of those weekends where you feel a little bit unjust in a way, because once again we (outshot them badly)," said Papa Bear Bill Moores. "When it comes down to it, the most important position is still goaltending, and their goaltender played extremely well. That may have been the difference."

In Game Two, goaltending was definitely the difference. Early on, fifth year Husky Terry Lloyd popped one in past rookie Bear keeper Scott Ironside. Seventy-three seconds later, though, Dan



Husky Neil Pogany pursues Bear Captain Doug McCarthy, while in the Canada West standings, Pogany's Dawgs are closing in on the Bears.

Ron Sears

Wiebe slid a powerplay puck past Gunn to even up the match. For the third star Wiebe, it was his first of two on the night and sixth of the season.

From there on, however, the Bears' dominated the Dawgs in every facet, including outshooting their opponents 45-21. Gunn, though, kept the Bears at bay.

At the halfway mark, with the score 2-1 for the visitors, the ex-A.H.L. guardian stuck out a big paw to snuff an incoming blast from Bear sniper Morrison. Seven minutes later, Chris Gall added to the Dawg lead to force the Bears' to play catch-up hockey which Brett Cox began with 1:50 remaining in the second. Cox punched a puck through the five-hole of Gunn after Dan Basterash lifted a stick to send the Bear assistant captain in home-free.

The third was all Bears as well, except for one lapse when a speedy Walter Shutter burned both Paradis and Ironside on a beautiful individual effort. The Huskies' fourth goal came six minutes after Glasgow and Goodwin combined to give Wiebe his seventh of the season.

Fittingly, it was Thibodeau who helped the Bears avoid the sweep. With only 57 clicks left on the clock, Thibodeau, in his first home Canada West contest of the year, rounded out the scoring when his harmless pass caromed off legs in Gunn's crease to cross the goal line.

"It wasn't any great feat or anything," Thibodeau said. "I just played the puck to the net and it went off 2 or 4 or 6 legs. The next thing I know they credit me with a goal. When you're shooting 45 pucks at the net, you have to hope at least one or two bounce in off

somebody."

CANADA WEST UPDATE:

The Dinosaurs are looking to replace the Bears in the C.I.A.U. rankings at number two following a pair of victories in Brandon. Calgary defeated the Bobcats 7-5 and 6-4 this weekend. . . . The U.B.C. Thunderbirds continued their losing ways dropping a pair in Manitoba against the Bisons 6-3 and 7-2. . . . The Lethbridge Pronghorns did the Dawgs a favour by upsetting the Regina Cougars 3-2 in Game One. Saturday, however, the Cougars enjoyed revenge after upending the 'Horns 7-2. . . . The standings show Calgary number one in Canada West with 31 points, three ahead of the Bears. Regina sits third with 21, followed by the Dawgs and Bisons with 20. U.B.C., once third, has 18, while the 'Cats figure is 14. The 'Horns bring up the rear with 8.

V-ball Pandas dig deeper hole

Thunderbirds 3 Pandas 1
Thunderbirds 3 Pandas 0

by Michael Chow

While the New York Giants celebrated their surprising Super Bowl victory on Sunday, the University of Alberta women's volleyball team could only reflect on the clinic that the U.B.C. Thunderbirds displayed with their visit to the Prairies this past weekend.

The Pandas were mauled as the 'Birds swooped in and swept the two match series on Friday and Saturday nights.

The women did manage to salvage a game on Friday, but according to assistant coach Steve Kental,

his team was badly outplayed by a very good U.B.C. squad. "We got beat on our home court tonight because we lacked consistency, and not being able to pass against this team is not going to get the job done," Kental said.

Head coach Suzi Smith stuck mainly with a young starting six of Sherry Parkhurst, Rhonda Neufeld, Colleen Pistawka, Corrie Reinprecht, Taryn Wood and Cathy Stang as the Pandas were defeated (15-10, 12-15, 15-5, 15-4).

Saturday brought a different night, but unfortunately it did not write a different script as the squad once again fell to the overpowering Thunderbirds (15-1, 15-8, 15-5).

The Panda lack of experience is obviously starting to show on the court but as Smith comments the team can only improve with these kinds of matches. "Our veterans had an off-night and when your rookies are not experienced enough against a tough team like U.B.C., you are going to come up short." Smith added that the team should not feel down about the losses and to concentrate on bettering their play. "I am disappointed that we lost but we did execute on a few things at the very end that are very encouraging."

On the other side of the court, Thunderbird head coach Donna Baydock who is undefeated against

the Pandas, agrees with Smith. "I was surprised that they did not play well (Saturday), but they are in a rebuilding process and will improve," Baydock commented.

The losses dealt the Pandas a fatal blow to their playoff hopes as their visions for a spot in the Nationals are all but dashed. "The main goal now is to look at the things that we are trying to work on and to implement them into our remaining matches," Smith said.

"A lack of experience on the court really hurt us and every game we go out those kids are gaining more experience. Whether we win or lose, it will help us down the road."

DIGS:

Rhonda Neufeld led the team in kills Friday with 13. The team had 48 in total. . . . The team is now 3-11. They finished 5-15 last year. . . . The 'Birds improved to 11-3, still four points behind the Canada West leaders, the Saskatchewan Huskies, who swept Calgary this weekend. . . . The Huskies and Thunderbirds go head to head this weekend in Vancouver. The Pandas go on the road for the next four matches starting with Victoria this coming weekend and Lethbridge the following weekend. They round out the season against the Huskies who could be playing for the conference title at that time.

V-Ball Bears split to stay in race

Bears 3 Thunderbirds 1
Thunderbirds 3 Bears 2

by Avi Goldberg

With their backs against the wall, the University of Alberta Golden Bear volleyball team survived the weekend with a split result against the U.B.C. Thunderbirds. In so doing, the Bears have kept alive their chance to finish second and reach the Canada West playoffs, which would once again give them a shot at reaching the National Finals in March.

Things were not looking good for the Bears heading into this weekend. With Starters Joel Kern and Jordan Herget still out with injuries, the news came down that team leader Dean Kakoschke had extracted a case of the Chicken Pox. With Kakoschke out of the line-up, the Bears needed to find an alternative power source. Jason Shenkariuk came through with a huge performance on Friday night as the Bears won their opening match.

Game one on Friday went back and forth until finally U.B.C. pulled it out of the hat in a 17-16 marathon. In another dragged out set, the Bears survived a slew of service errors and prevailed 15-11. Set three saw an even longer

duration of play in which the Bears came out on top 15-12. A disorganized 'Birds squad allowed the Bears to win the fourth set 15-13, and win the match 3-1.

Friday night's affair was one in which Jason Shenkariuk stepped in and played a very strong match in the place of Kakoschke. "When I play with Dean (Kakoschke) I'm more of a utility man, but it was nice to get some experience out there," said Shenkariuk, downplaying the tremendously valuable contribution he made to the team's effort Night One.

Saturday night was tough to take for the Bears and their fans. It was a close affair which the 'Birds managed to pull out in the maximum five games.

The T'Birds came out more determined, but still took a close loss in the first set by a score of 16-14. Game two was highlighted by poor Bear passing, and thus the Bears went down by a score of 15-7. It was U.B.C.'s turn to make errors in set number three, and they lost 15-12. The Bears' coaching staff was visibly disturbed by the officiating in set number four; the Bears were defeated 15-11. This set up the always troublesome rally point. In an always close exchange, the 'Birds prevailed 17-15, and the two teams

remained tied in the Canada West standings.

In describing the difference between Friday night's action, and Saturday night, the Bears' players felt that perhaps their intensity was a little better for match one. "Yesterday's game (Friday) there was a lot of emotion. . . . We played hard defense yesterday. Today we just made basic errors that cost us," said Bears' setter Tim Thompson.

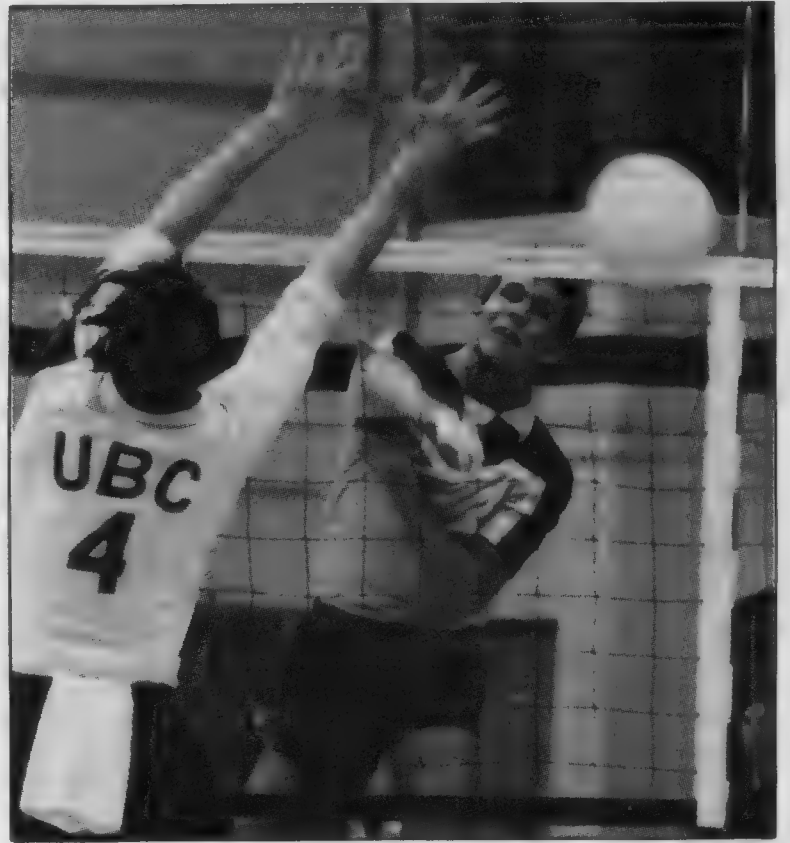
Bear head coach Pierre Baudin was positive about this weekend's action. "I feel good. When you take three starters off of a squad, to win one, and to be a break away from winning the second one, I really don't think you can be unhappy," said Baudin.

Although Baudin would have preferred a sweep, with the absence of so many key starters, a sweep would have been a difficult task. On the bright side, however, with all the young blood in the line-up, the Bears will be in good shape if they make it to the playoffs.

"If we can sneak into the playoffs, it's going to be great for the team, because so many guys are getting the experience now," said Baudin.

BEAR ESSENTIALS:

The Bears are in a very tough race to finish second in the confer-



Bear V-ballers punched home the only team Sean Costall Green and Gold Athletics' win of the weekend

ence, as they are tied with U.B.C. now, and are still trailing the second place Saskatchewan Huskies. . . . The Bears play the University of

Victoria Vikings next weekend in Victoria. The Vikings are winless in Canada West conference play this year.

Climbers reached for the top

by Kristan McLeod

Judging by the crowd's response, it was impossible to tell who was a local, who was favoured to win or who was relatively unknown. Every climber in the Butterdome this weekend was cheered on with genuine enthusiasm by the spectators and by their fellow climbers.

When Christian Griffith of Boulder Colorado won the men's open difficulty climbing championship on Sunday afternoon, one would have thought he was a regular at the wall, but it was in fact his first appearance in Edmonton. To his surprise, he won it decisively as the only man to scale the final route. "When you feel really on, it feels really easy," says Griffith. "I thought someone else would have done it too."

Griffith, who has been involved in every aspect of climbing events, looks on it as "a fun event. . . . a combination of strength, flexibility and coordination, as well as a tenacious attitude and problem-solving ability." Those factors certainly combined perfectly for him as his ascent was one of grace and competence that left no doubt in anybody's mind that he was the superior climber at the time.

Climbing, however, is analogous to golf in that it is impossible to predict who will win at any given time. Canadian National winner Will Gadd identifies the struggle. "You're fighting against gravity, not anyone else. There are a few rivalries, but people are mostly supportive of each other."

Part of this attitude derives from the climbers having the same unknown challenge ahead of them as they wait to climb. They are kept in isolation until their turn and are ignorant of everyone else's performance until they finish their

own. "This is the only sport where you don't know the playing surface before you play on it," says Gadd, and the climbers only get 1 1/2 minutes to plot their route before the clock starts ticking.

Gadd came fifth behind four Americans in the Open, and was followed by fellow Canadians Kevin and Kelly Wilson and University of Alberta climber Roger Keglowsch.

The women's open difficulty event was even more up in the air, being forced into a super-final as both Dianne Russell (U.S.) and Jola Sandford (Canada) fully completed the final route. Russell's super-final climb finished a metre above

Sandford's, giving the 35 year old her first win of a year-long competitive career.

Russell proved to be in undeniably top form on Sunday as she went on to win the women's speed competition, scaling the 15 metre flat wall in 23.48s. "What I like about speed," says Russell, "is that I can be totally adrenalized. I tend to climb fast anyways, but in difficulty you have to slow down and think about what to do next."

The top U of A woman was Judy Davidson who finished fifth in the Canadian women's difficulty event, behind national team members. "I was happy with it," she said, "and I think I had the best

fall!" On Saturday she flipped over and bounced around the overhang, safely providing some drama.

The enthralling finish to the weekend was the men's speed event, dominated by Californian Hans Florine. He shot up the route in an astounding 11.88s, faster than

most people run stairs. Keglowsch, who "probably knows the wall as well as anybody", came behind Florine by about a second in the qualifying meet, a claim no one else in North America can make.



Local climber Aaron Pellerin scopes quick route Ron Sears



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B-ball 'Birds breeze by Bears

Thunderbirds 111 Bears 91
Thunderbirds 94 Bears 75

by Jonathan McDonald

Mike Frisby didn't have a lot to say. Brian Halsey didn't have a lot to say. Even coach Don Horwood didn't have a lot to say.

There is not a lot to say. It was that kind of weekend at the War Memorial in Vancouver, as the Bears' basketball team were swept under the rug by the Canada West-leading University of British Columbia Thunderbirds.

Friday, the Bears were in over their heads. At halftime, the T'Birds led 65-45. The Bears suffered from an over-abundance of turnovers, as they turned over the ball nearly twice as much as British Columbia (25-13).

"I cannot remember a team that I have coached giving up that many points in a half," said Horwood, who is currently in his eighth season as head coach of the Bears.

In the second half, the Bears managed to cut the T'Bird lead to

11 points, with 15 minutes left on the game clock, but questionable calls by the officials hindered the Bears' attempts to close the gap even further.

"They beat us in every aspect of the game, anyway," said Frisby, who had only nine points, but has been one of few consistent contributors since the Christmas vacation. "They totally outclassed us."

"We got creamed," added Halsey. "We just got killed. They did everything better than us."

Horwood was ejected from Friday's game by the officials, who, by all reports, looked a lot like U.B.C. alumni who share their names. "There were some unbelievable, atrocious calls," said Horwood, who merely made two observant comments in the presence of the stripes to incur their egos and their wrath. The coastal teams, U.B.C. and Victoria, are widely known to have "homers" referee their games.

J.D. Jackson led the 'Birds with

31 points and 9 assists. Rick Stanley had 32 points, including 14-of-18 from the line, and 8 rebounds, to pace the Bears in a losing effort. Halsey chipped in 14 points, while rookie Scott Martell added 14 points and 6 rebounds.

"I thought we played hard," said Frisby, "but they just clobbered us." Saturday, the score was not a lot different but the Bears' effort was improved, as the Bears were down only 12 points at halftime.

"We played a better game," said Horwood, "but their speed beat us. U.B.C. kept getting easy baskets off their transition game and fast breaks."

Co-captain Stanley, who has been carrying the Bears with his outstanding play all season, was clearly frustrated Saturday. He had a less confident game and was victimized by more poor officiating.

"I told him, 'You're allowed to have a bad game'," said Horwood, "but Rick takes it very hard."

Frisby led the Bears with 21

points and 7 rebounds, on perfect 7-of-7 shooting from the floor. Stanley added 16 points and 10 rebounds, despite shooting but 6-of-15. Halsey helped out with 14 points and 5 rebounds. Alan Lalonde and J.D. Jackson paced the T'Birds with 23 points apiece.

"We never really threatened them," said Horwood, "but they didn't destroy us. It was a much closer game."

"We're not playing with confidence. We're lacking that 'joie de vivre' that we had before Christmas. Since then, we've never had it going for a whole weekend."

The greatest problem for the Bears in the last eight league games has been the play of their guards. Co-captain Scott Wilde and freshman Greg Badger were impressive prior to the vacation with their gutsy and determined play. Since then, they have been all but invisible.

"When we come down court it's like it's four of us against five of them," said Horwood. "We can't

play that way. This weekend we got 8 or 10 points out of our guards per night. U.B.C. got 50 points from their guards both nights!"

With the sweep, British Columbia has moved into a tie for first place in Canada West with Victoria's Vikings, who split a weekend series with Lethbridge. The Pronghorns are currently two games ahead of the Bears, who at 5 and 9 are tied for fourth place with the Saskatchewan Huskies. Calgary's Dinosaurs are virtually out of the playoff picture, with a 3 and 11 record.

"This is a time when we have to pull together and get the job done," said Frisby, looking ahead to this weekend's home series against the front-running Vikings.

And the weekend that could have been? Well, there's just not a lot to say about it.

Parting Shots:

Martell found out yesterday that he has contracted the chicken pox. "When have we not had bad news this season?" asked Horwood.

'Birds poop on Panda hoops

Thunderbirds 78 Pandas 75
Thunderbirds 86 Pandas 64

by Jonathan McDonald

While the birds in The Persian Gulf have seen better days, the 'Birds on Canada's west coast are flying higher than ever, sweeping the Pandas basketball team in Vancouver this past weekend.

"It was a barnburner," said Pandas' assistant coach Lorna Stielow, describing Friday's three-point loss to the Lady Thunderbirds. Indeed, the Pandas showed more life than at any time previously during the Canada West season.

"We started out pretty slow," said Pandas' coach Diane Hilko, "but for about 10 minutes we started to play the way we could

and built a 14-point lead. We were playing very, very well."

The Pandas had a substantial lead at half, 49-39, as their offence scored the largest number of points in a half, this season. The Pandas thought they might break 100 points, behind the hot shooting of Tracie Wilkie and Joanna Ross.

Instead, the 'Birds threw a wrench into the Panda plans. The 'Birds implemented a zone defense to start the second half, and the Pandas ceased to take shots.

"We went into a defensive shell," said Stielow, "as our reaction to their zone. As a result, we slowed the pace down, which played right into their hands."

"It was a quick change of momentum," said Hilko, "and all of a sudden our ten point lead became

their ten point lead."

The Pandas scored but 26 points in the second half, almost half of which came in the last minute of play. Pandas' shooters found the mark too late, and the final score was not very indicative of how badly the Pandas had been beaten in the last twenty minutes of the game.

Wilkie continued her dominant play with 19 points to lead the Pandas. Ross added 16 points and 10 rebounds, while Tracey Cook chipped in 11 points.

The Pandas' defence was able to keep 'Birds' star Jana Jordan in check throughout the night, as she finished with only 9 points. However, Tania Gladiuk picked up the slack for the 'Birds, having a career game with 26 points and 16 rebounds, while teammate Val Philpot iced the victory for the 'Birds with 15 and 8 respectively.

"It was a pretty disappointing loss," said Hilko. "We just didn't come out with that killer instinct in the second half."

"At the end of the game we were just trying to close the gap because of the point spread," said Stielow.

Previously this season the Pandas and 'Birds had split a series here in Edmonton. Stielow's Pandas were obviously looking ahead to a victory Saturday to take the spread in case of a tie in league standings at the end of the present campaign in February.

No need to bother. The Pandas were never really in the game when it mattered on Saturday, and now find themselves in fifth place with a record of 3-11. On the other side of the court, the 'Birds have moved ahead to the fourth and final playoff spot with a mark of 4-10.

The Pandas were down only two points at halftime in Game Two, 39-37, and the 'Birds threw in the zone defence again to begin the second half.

"We were ready for their zone this time," said Stielow. Despite putting Lisa Craig, a natural shooter who sees too much bench time, into the game, their prepara-


tion could not have been too great. The 'Birds outscored the Pandas by 19 points in the second half.

Wilkie led the Pandas' anemic offense with 13 points and 8 rebounds, while Cook added 7 and 6 rebounds. Craig, in her second-half supporting role, scored 12 points on 5-for-7 shooting. Sue Chalmers pumped in 11, while Ross had a bit of an off-game, adding 8.

The story of the game, however, was the hot hand of the 'Birds' Lisa Nickle. While Jordan was held to a season-low 2 points, Nickles had 32 points, possibly setting a Canada West record with seven three-pointers in twelve attempts.

"Nickles was unconscious, absolutely unbelievable," said Hilko. So, while the 'Birds' superstar was held in check, British Columbia's supporting cast picked up the slack to lead the 'Birds to the sweep.

And the Pandas' playoff hopes? "Even if we had split we would have had a better chance," said Hilko. "The two losses have put us in a bad spot."



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Alumni member Rick Medcke, a graduate of last year's Golden Bears' football team, says there is "a quiet confident air" about the revival of the program for the upcoming '91 season. But that the task "is not going to be easy."

All anyone can hope for is some sort of a break to get the ball rolling.

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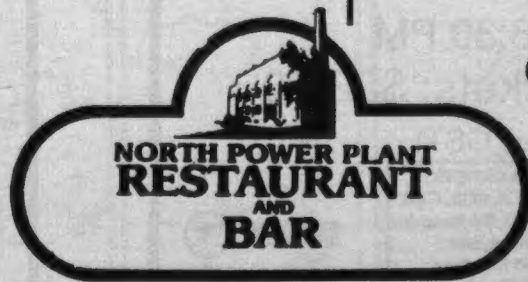
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The Great Debate
HUMANISM VS. CHRISTIANITY:
WHICH IS THE MORE RATIONAL WORLD VIEW?

DR. HENRY MORGENTHAU
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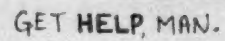
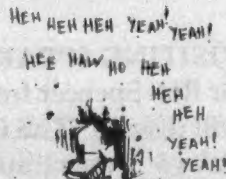
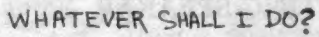
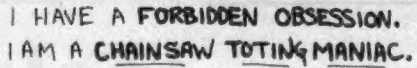
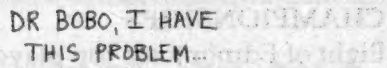
DR. WILLIAM
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Jubilee Auditorium
Thursday - January 31 - 7:30 pm
Reserved tickets at all BASS outlets
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and HUB/SUB/CAB Information Booths.
presented by Campus Crusade for Christ
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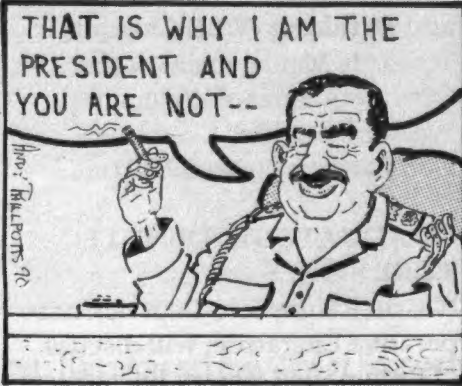
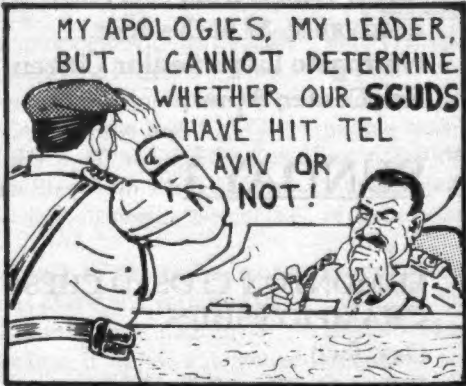
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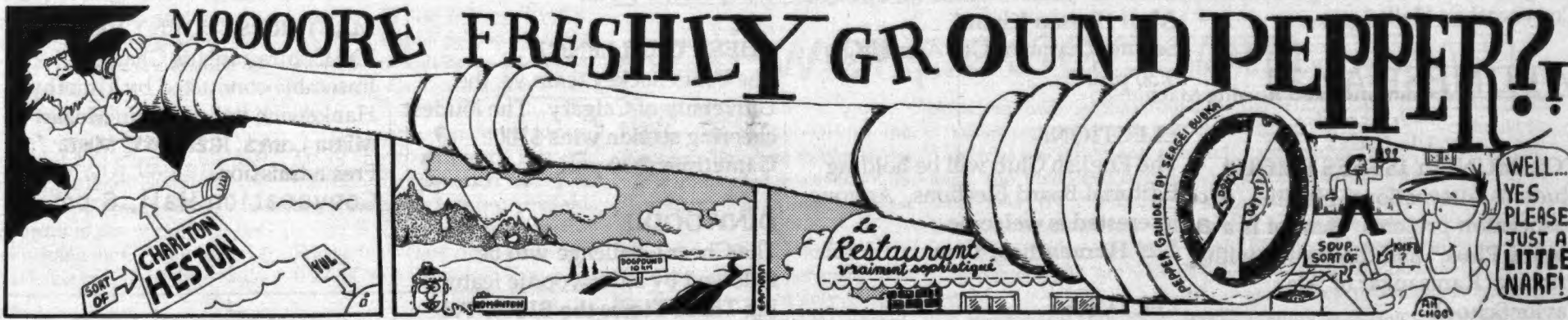
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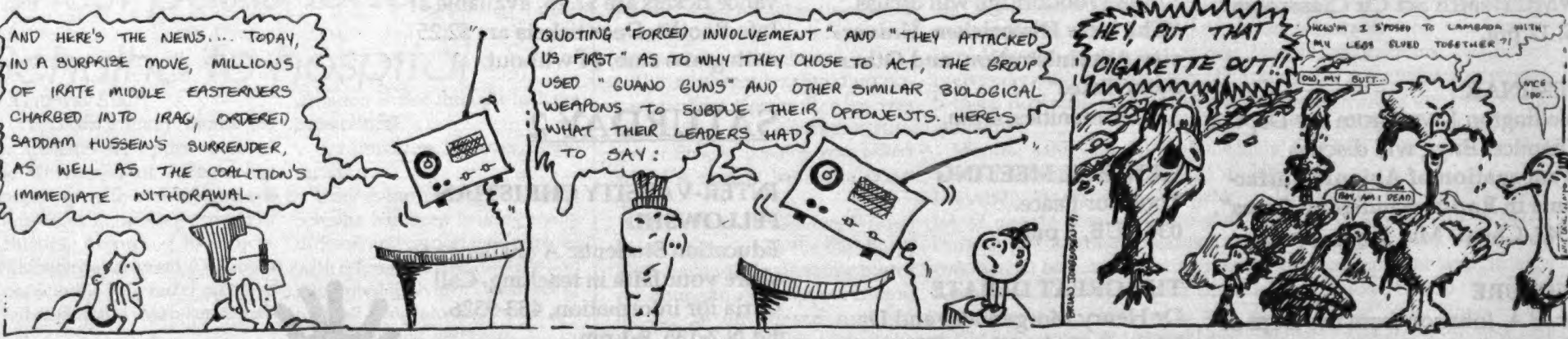
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Neil the Nerd



Campus Capers



Jack Hammer



Bare Tails



Who put the bop in the bop-shu-bop-shu-bop?

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TUESDAY 29

SPEAKER

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Students Association presents Dr. Merza who will give a talk on "Peace and War in Islam", focusing on the current Middle East crisis and discussing the concept of Holy War.

CAB 273, 5 pm.

GERMAN FILM

The Dept of Germanic Languages presents "Der Snob" with English subtitles, 91 min., (1983).

Arts 141, 7:15 pm.

LECTURE

The Dept of Music sponsors Paul Badura-Skoda who will discuss "Problems in the interpretation of Mozart's piano works with a sideglance on other composers". Convocation Hall, 8 pm.

WEDNESDAY 30

COMMUNITY ISSUES GROUP

Students International Health Association presents "School Is a Loving Place" and discussion with Principal Ramsankar of Alex Taylor School.

WMC Health Sci Ctr Classroom G, 12 pm.

SEMINAR

Wellington Kwok from the Dept of Chemical Engg will discuss "Propagation of Anionic Surfactants in Radial Sandstone Cores". E342, Chem/Min Engg, 3 pm.

LECTURE

Dr. E.A. Johnson from the Dept of Bio Sci (U of C) will discuss "Fire Frequency, Climate and Vegetation in Southern Canadian Rockies."

2-1 Mech Engg, 3:30 pm.

LECTURE

Linda Woodbridge presents "Shakespeare and the Carnival of Time".

L-1 Humanities, 4 pm.

THURSDAY 31

VISITING SPEAKER

Dr Ron Spencer from the U of C will discuss "The Origin of Potash Salts & Paleoclimate Record, Aaidam Basin, China".

1-04 Earth Sciences, 11 am.

LECTURE

EE Prepas presents "Sediment-Water Interactions in Prairie Lakes and Drinking Water Dugouts - Towards Management of the Quality of Surface Waters in Western Canada".

2-36 Earth Sciences, 12:30 pm.

GRADUATE STUDENT LECTURE SERIES

Nasrin Rahimeieh, Dept of Comparative Literature, will discuss "Diplomatic/Literary Encounters Between James Morier and Mirza Abul Hassan Khan."

Senate Chamber, Old Arts Bldg, 3:30 pm.

ELECTIONS

The English Club will be holding Editorial Board Elections. Anyone interested is welcome.

4-29 Humanities, 4 pm.

LECTURE

Linda Woodbridge will discuss "The New Historicism, University Administration, and Other Fairy Tales".

L-1 Humanities, 4 pm.

GENERAL MEETING

Tools for Peace.

034 SUB, 5 pm.

THE GREAT DEBATE

Dr Henry Morgentaler and Dr William Craig debate "Humanism vs. Christianity: Which is the More Rational World View?"

Sponsored by the SU, Campus Crusade for Christ, and the Debate Club. Tickets available from Info Booths and BASS, \$5 for students. Jubilee Auditorium, 7:30 pm.

OPENING RECEPTION

The 1990 Machida Annual Student Prints from Japan and Canada. This exhibition will run until 17 February at the FAB Gallery. FAB Gallery, 7-10 pm.

FRIDAY 1

VISITING SPEAKER

Sun Lung-Kee, Killam Fellow - "The Dialogue between Two Revolutions: 1789 and 1911".

2-58 Tory, 3 pm.

ZOOLOGY SEMINAR

Dr Pat Gregory (University of Victoria) will discuss "Geographic variation in life histories of temperate zone snakes."

M-149 Bio Sci, 3:30 pm.

LECTURE

Linda Woodbridge presents "Green Shakespeare".

L-1 Humanities, 4 pm.

TGIF

Put on by the U of A Skydivers.

Drop in for a cold one.

L'Express, 4-9 pm.

CHEER CHALLENGE

The Bears hockey team vs. the University of Calgary. The loudest cheering section wins \$100!

Gametime: 7:30 pm.

DINWOODIE

The Cheer Challenge will be followed by a Dinwoodie featuring Three Times the Blues. Advance tickets are \$2.25, available at Info Booths. Door tickets are \$2.25 with game stub, \$4 without.

SATURDAY 2

INTER-VARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Education Students: A challenge to share your faith in teaching. Call Carla for information, 433-9326.

Ed N 2-135, 9-1 pm.

EDMONTON CLOSED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Eight of Edmonton's top players play a round robin for the right to represent Edmonton in the Alberta championship. Spectators welcome.

L'Express Overflow, 10 am-8 pm.

HALL PARTY

U of A Ski Club's Bring Out Yer Dead Hall Party. Live band. Good times. Tickets from 030H SUB, \$5 in advance, \$7 at the door.

Northgate Lions Senior Citizen Rec Center, 8 pm.

SUNDAY 3

EDMONTON CLOSED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

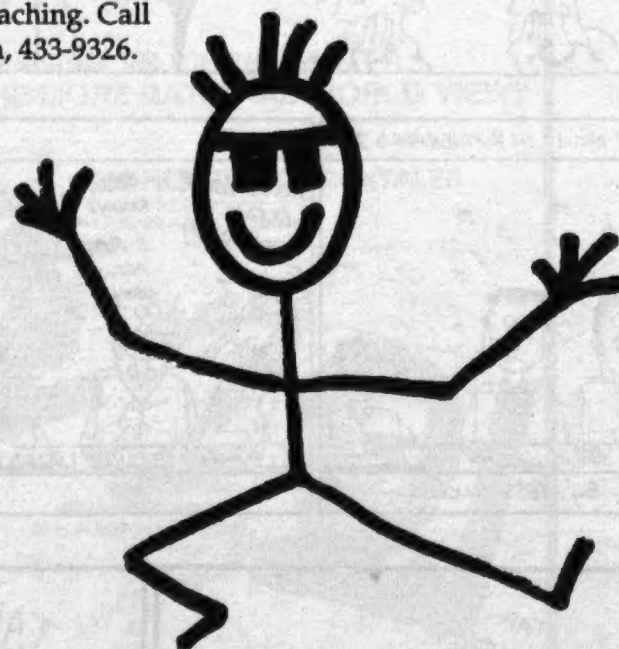
Day Two.

L'Express Overflow, 10 am-8 pm.

MASTERS STUDENT RECITAL

The Contrapunctus Chamber Ensemble conducted by Timothy Hankewich will perform Mozart's Missa Longa, K.262 in C Major. Free admission.

Convocation Hall, 8 pm.



To get your campus event listed in *Happy Bob Knows*, just send your information a week in advance to SU Information Services, Box 169, Students' Union Building.